

Perth Cricket Club

Club Helmet Policy

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The Perth Cricket Club recognises the importance of the health, safety and wellbeing of all our members when playing cricket.

Specifically, in relation to the safety of our players, our club has now adopted a policy in relation to the use of helmets. This is in line with Cricket Australia's recommendation that community clubs and associations take all practical steps to adopt the ICC directive and mandate that all junior and senior players wear British Standard 7928:2013 compliant helmets when batting, wicket-keeping up to the stumps and fielding in close to the batter.

Our policy is as follows:

- A batter must always wear a compliant helmet when batting.
- At all times when wicketkeeping up to the stumps, the wicketkeeper must wear a compliant helmet.
- Any wicketkeeper who is eligible to play junior cricket (aged less than 18 years) when wicketkeeping within 7 metres of the stumps, must wear a compliant helmet.
- At all times when fielding in a position closer than 7 metres from the batter's position on the popping crease on a middle stump line, with the exception of any fielding position between the accepted position gully to the accepted position leg gully on the leg side, must wear a compliant helmet.
- Any player that is aged less than 18 years is prohibited from fielding any closer than 10m from the bat (unless acting as a Wicketkeeper or fielding in the Slips or a Gully position).

All helmets must be compliant with the British Standard for helmet safety (BS7928:2013 Specification for head protectors for cricketers).

Why British Standard Helmets?

- Better construction, meaning a ball won't squeeze between the peak and grille of the helmet.
- Better design and strength of materials, meaning the ball won't pull the grille into your face.
- And greater coverage of the occipital area (behind the ear) to provide increased protection.

Team Captains will be responsible for ensuring player compliance to this Policy on match days and training.

Any player found not adhering to the Policy will be deemed to be in breach of the Clubs' Code of Conduct and your membership obligations and face sanctions. Any sanctions may include match suspension or fines and in the case of multiple repeated breaches could include termination of membership.