



PERTH SWAN CRICKET ASSOCIATION HELMET POLICY

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1.1 Batter Helmet Policy

1.1.1 A batter must wear a British Standard 7928:2013 compliant helmet at all times when batting

1.1.2 The umpire is responsible for ensuring that a helmet is worn but is not responsible for ensuring that the helmet is compliant to British Standard 7928:2013.

1.1.3 The umpire(s) must not allow the match to continue during any period in which a batter fails to wear a helmet when required.

1.1.4 An incoming batter must come to the crease wearing a helmet as required.

1.1.5 If this requirement is not met the umpires(s) will direct the batter to comply.

1.1.6 If, having entered the field of play not wearing a helmet, a batter leaves the field in order to comply, there shall be no loss of time/overs to the match solely due to this delay.

1.1.8 If a batter does not to comply with the umpire's direction given:

(1) The umpire shall call time, if necessary.

(2) The umpire shall summon and inform the offending player's captain of the batter's refusal play and warn that a continuation of refusing to play will result in the match being awarded to the opposition.

(3) The umpire shall award 5 penalty runs to the fielding team.

(4) The umpire will report the batter involved in accordance with the reporting procedures

1.1.9 If, after the action the batter continues to not comply then:

(1) The batter will be given out, Timed Out and the bowler will not get credit for the wicket.

1.1.10 In the event of an extended delay in which either:

(1) No batter comes to the wicket wearing a helmet or;

(2) The batter given out refuses to leave the playing area.

(3) Then, the umpire shall award the match to the opposition

(4) The umpire will report the captain

1.2 Wicketkeeper Helmet Policy

1.2.1 At all times when wicketkeeping up to the stumps, the wicketkeeper must wear a British Standard 7928:2013 compliant helmet.

1.2.2 If under 18 years old, the wicketkeeper must wear a compliant helmet when wicketkeeping within 7m of the stumps.

1.2.3 The umpire is the sole judges of the distance from the stumps.

1.2.4 The umpire is responsible for ensuring that a helmet is worn when required but is not responsible for ensuring that the helmet is compliant with British Standard 7928:2013.

1.2.5 The umpire must not allow the match to continue during any period in which a wicketkeeper fails to wear a helmet when required

1.2.6 Should a wicketkeeper fail to wear a helmet at any time as required, the umpire shall not permit the game to continue until the wicketkeeper does one of the following:

- (1) Wears a compliant helmet.
- (2) Moves his/her position to one that does not require him/ her to wear a helmet.
- (3) The fielding team changes wicketkeeper to a different player who is wearing a compliant helmet.

1.2.7 In the event of an extended delay in which the wicketkeeper(s) fail to wear a helmet as required and fail to comply with the umpire shall consider this a refusal to play and can be award the match to the opposition.

- (1) The umpire(s) will report the individuals and captain involved

1.3 Fielder Helmet Policy

1.3.1 At all times when fielding closer than seven (7) metres from the bat and any wider than a standard gully or leg gully, the fielder must wear a British Standard 7928:2013 compliant helmet.

(1) Fielders fielding finer than gully or leg gully (any slips or leg slips) are not required to wear a helmet.

(2) The distance is extended to ten (10) meters if the fielder is under 18 years old.

1.3.2 The umpire is the sole judge of the distance from the stumps.

1.3.3 The umpire is responsible for ensuring that a helmet is worn when required but is not responsible for ensuring that the helmet is compliant with British Standard 7928:2013.

1.3.4 The umpire must not allow the match to continue during any period in which a fielder fails to wear a helmet when required

1.3.5 The exchange of protective equipment between members of the fielding side on the field of play is permitted provided that the umpire does not consider that it constitutes a deliberate waste of playing time.

1.3.6 Should a fielder fail to wear a helmet at as required by these Playing Conditions or as directed by an umpire, the umpire shall not permit the game to continue until the fielder does one of the following:

(1) Wears a compliant helmet.

(2) Moves his/her position to one that does not require him/ her to wear a helmet.

(3) The fielding team changes the fielder in the position, to a different player who is complying

1.3.7 In the event of an extended delay in which the fielder(s) fail to wear a helmet as required and fail to comply, the umpire shall consider this a refusal to play and can be used to award the match to the opposition.

(1) The umpire(s) will report the individuals and captain involved