

HELMET POLICY UPDATE

SEASON 2024/25



APPLICATION

This updated Helmet Policy shall apply to all matches in Queensland Premier Cricket for the 2024/25 season.

INTRODUCTION

Queensland Cricket – supported by Premier Cricket clubs - has updated the Helmet Policy, following from recent changes made to the Australian Cricket Concussion and Head Trauma Guidelines.

WHAT HAS CHANGED?

In addition to the current Helmet Policy, it will be compulsory for the batters to wear a British Standard 7928:2013 compliant helmet **with a neck protector** when batting against fast or medium-paced bowling in the following competitions:

- Mens First Grade, Mens Second Grade, Mens Under 19
- Womens First Grade

It will also be compulsory for all junior cricketers (those under 18 years of age) in **ALL** Premier Cricket competitions to wear a British Standard 7928:2013 compliant helmet **with a neck protector** at all times when batting.

For players over 18 years of age in other Premier Cricket grades, they will continue to be required to wear a British Standard 7928:2013 compliant helmet at all times when batting against fast or medium-paced bowling. A neck protector will be recommended, however not compulsory.

OBJECTIVE

This policy's objective is to improve the safety of batters and to reduce the potential for concussion and head trauma to occur in Premier Cricket competitions.

ENFORCEMENT

Umpires continue to be responsible for ensuring that a helmet (and neck protector where applicable) are being worn when required by the policy.

HOW DO I GET A NECK PROTECTOR?

Many helmets that have been sold in the past 5 years may already be compliant with the policy as they may have had the neck protection attachments supplied when purchased.

If you do not have the neck protection attachments then your helmet may be able to be retrofitted. Contacting your local helmet supplier to check this is advised:

- Greg Chappell Cricket Centre (Queensland Cricket preferred supplier) – www.cricketcentre.com.au
- Keith Dudgeon Cricket Specialist – www.kdsport.com.au
- RJR Sports (Gold Coast) – www.rjrsports.com.au
- WHACK Sports – www.whacksports.com.au

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EXAMPLES OF NECK PROTECTORS



DRAG MEETS

