



Bay Of Plenty Cricket Association

Player Safety Regulations

HELMET POLICY

The following Player Safety regulations apply to all competitions administered by the Bay of Plenty Cricket Association:

1. All batsmen, regardless of age, **must** wear a helmet with a faceguard when batting against fast or medium-paced bowling. It is also **strongly recommended** that a helmet is worn when batting against spin bowling.
2. All wicketkeepers, regardless of age, **must** wear a helmet with a faceguard when standing up to the stumps [within 5 metres] in hardball cricket.
3. All players, regardless of age, **must** wear a helmet with a faceguard when fielding closer than 7 metres from the stumps of the batsman on strike in hardball cricket, except behind the wicket on the off side. BOP Cricket **recommends** that they also wear a protector and shin pads.
4. No player up to and including Year 10 shall be allowed to field closer than 10 metres from the stumps of the batsman on strike, except behind the wicket on the offside.

Any individual with responsibility for players (such as a coach or manager), together with Match Officials, should take all reasonable steps to ensure that the above guidelines are followed.

Officials may suspend the match until the player complies.

Helmets must comply with BS 7928: 2013.

BOWLING GUIDELINES FOR U18'S

NZ Cricket guidelines for pace bowlers (pace bowler = non-spin bowler)

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| 13 – 15 year old | Maximum of five overs per spell |
| 16 – 18 year old | Maximum of eight overs per spell |