



**Cricket Federation for People  
with Disabilities**

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# **Health & Safety Responsibility Guild**



***The Wildgoose Way***

# **Altering people's lives through sport**



## Health and Safety Risks arising from Coaching Activities

- A risk assessment will be undertaken by the Manager/Coach prior to each session (day) findings of the risk assessments will be reported to the facility provider.
- Action required to remove/control risks will be approved by facility provider.
- The Facility Providers will be responsible for ensuring the action required is implemented.
- Manager/Coach will check that the implemented actions have removed/reduced the risks.
- Assessments will be reviewed prior to each day's Coaching/Match activity

## Safe Equipment and Facilities

- The Manager/Coach will be responsible for checking the safety of the facility. A checklist is provided in Appendix A for this purpose and further cricket specific guidance in Appendix B.
- Any concerns should be brought to the attention of the Facility Manager.
- The Manager/Coach will check that any new facility or equipment meets health and safety standards before it is used.

## Accidents and First Aid

First Aid boxes is/are kept at each facility and will be pointed out by the Manager/Coach/Facility Provider..

The appointed person(s)/first aider(s) is/are:

1. Appropriate Manager/Coach
- 2.
- 3.

All accidents are to be recorded in the accident book. The book is kept by the (.....*NAME*.....).

## Monitoring

- To check Coaching conditions and ensure safe working practices are being followed, we will monitor facilities and tutors
- (.....*NAME*.....) is responsible for investigating accidents.
- (.....*NAME*.....) is responsible for acting on investigation findings to prevent a recurrence.

## **Emergency procedures – fire and evacuation**

- Manager/Coach is responsible for ensuring the fire risk assessment is undertaken and implemented.
- Escape routes are checked by the Manager/Coach prior to every session (day).\*
- Fire extinguishers are maintained and checked by facility provider every\* (.....)
- Alarms are tested by facility provider every\* (.....)
- Emergency evacuation will be tested every\* (.....)
- Responsibility of individual facility



# **SAFETY GUILD LINES**

## **PRACTICE FACILITIES**

### ***Indoor Nets***

#### Netting:

- \* Should be sound, not allowing balls through, underneath or out of the net.
- \* Should not be too tight making balls rebound dangerously.
- \* Should not billow out into adjacent nets or into areas where others are moving, spectating or walking.
- \* At batting ends should have canvas blinkers (c. 1.8 metres high), and extending from the rear of the net at least (c.3 metres in front of the popping crease), so as to absorb the ball's energy and prevent visual interference from net to net.
- \* Should extend from the batting end as far as possible, preferably (c.1 metre) past the bowling end if not the length of the building.
- \* Should overlap or otherwise prevent balls from leaving the enclosed area if the side walls are drawn from opposite ends
- \* Other material should cover any wall behind the bowlers to prevent balls rebounding from it.
- \* Should be wide enough to allow bowlers and batter to practice without undue hindrance (3.66 metres minimum).
- \* Should be high enough to allow spin bowlers to flight the ball (c. 4 metres minimum).

#### Lighting and Background

- \* Lighting should be at least up to the recommended level (minimum average lux 1,000).
- \* Background should be white preferably and lit and be such that the ball can be easily seen against it.

#### Surfaces

- \* Should provide a safe foot hold for bowlers and batter.
- \* Should be smooth, flat and free from holes and wrinkles.
- \* Preferably the ends of any overlay mats should be taped down.
- \* Wherever possible matting should extend a minimum of (12 metres) in front of the popping crease at the batter's end, if a full length mat is not used.
- \* Wherever possible, the bowler's landing, delivery and follow through areas should have extra cushioned.

## **Outdoor Nets**

Outdoor nets may sometimes not be totally enclosed to allow bowlers longer run ups therefore other aspects have to be considered.

### Position

- \* Nets should be sited so that balls hit out of the net will cause minimal nuisance or danger to other players or members of the public who should always be directed to watch from a safe area.
- \* Nets may have to be partially or fully roofed over to prevent nuisance or danger to others.
- \* Preferably nets should be orientated such that neither batters nor bowlers face a setting sun.
- \* Unsuitable backgrounds against which the ball would be difficult to see should be avoided; or alternatively different coloured balls may have to be used or sightscreens provided.

### Surfaces

- \* Should be maintained to provide a secure footing for batters and bowlers, whether or natural or non-turf construction.
- \* Should so far as is reasonably practicable be smooth, flat and free from any defect which would cause a ball to lift, shoot or turn dangerously from the pitching area.

Whenever possible non-turf batting surfaces should extend a minimum of 12 metres in front of the popping crease with the ends securely fixed.

## **Outfield/Indoor Practice/Matches**

- When players practice/play on the outfield/indoor they should do so in positions which minimise the risk of injury to fellow cricketers and spectators and damage to property.

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There is a categories leaflet available on request.

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what you can do today”**

