Calgary Men's / Ladies / Coed Slow Pitch League
Official Batting Helmet Rule
Appendix "8"

Batting Helmets are mandatory:
It is required that every player wear a double earflap protective helmet while batting, on deck and running bases. No player will be allowed to bat or run the bases without wearing such an approved batting helmet.

- If your helmet comes off at any point during live play, time will be called, and you will be called out, unless it is determined by the umpire the helmet was dislodged by circumstances beyond the offensive player's control.
- If a player enters the batting area/box without an approved batting helmet and a pitch is thrown, the batter will be called out.
- Once outside the dugout on deck batters must have their helmet on before they enter the batting area/box.
- The umpire will do their best to remind players but It is not the responsibly of the umpire to remind players to have their batting helmet on, all players must be aware and if able designate a person to remind players until it becomes a standard routine.
- All batting helmets must bear the manufacturer's certification indicating satisfaction of **NOCSAE** test standards.
- Skull caps or single sided helmets will not be accepted.
- chin straps are not mandatory but are recommended.
- Teams must have a minimum of 5 team helmets to cover all needed players while on offence, unless all/most players have their own, then just enough to cover players or spares that don't.
- It is also recommended but not mandatory that base coaches wear an approved batting helmet while coaching.

Additionally - Helmets that are cracked, split or broken, not bearing the NOCSAE certification shall not be worn and will be considered illegal.
Penalty: If an umpire observes a player wearing an illegal helmet before coming to bat, while at bat or while on base, the umpire shall instruct the player to change to a legal helmet without penalty. If the player refuses to change helmets, the player shall be ejected from the game.

Approved Helmet Requirements:
Batting helmets must have two ear flaps (one on each side, see below examples) and must be of the type that has safety features equal to or greater than those provided by the full plastic cap with padding on the inside and meet the NOCSAE certification standards.

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Examples:





