

Skate Canada Helmet Use Policy

Terms used:

Clubs - A not-for-profit organization that is operating for the general purpose of providing Skate Canada skating programs and is managed by a volunteer board of directors.

Days - Total days including weekends and holidays.

Member - Each entity that meets the requirements of any of the three Member () classes as defined in Article 3 hereof [of the bylaws].

Skating Schools - An organization other than a Club that is operating for the general purpose of providing Skate Canada skating programs.

General

All Skate Canada member () clubs () and skating schools () who offer a CanSkate program must ensure all CanSkate and Adult CanSkate participants up to and including Stage 5 must wear a CSA approved hockey helmet while on the ice.

This policy also applies to all other Skate Canada programs, therefore anyone who lacks good control/balance when skating forward, backward and has difficulty stopping, as well as maneuvering around obstacles on the ice must wear a CSA approved hockey helmet.

Clubs () and skating schools () must ensure this policy is enforced during all skating activities including competitions, carnival days () or any other special on ice activities throughout the season for this level of skater.

This policy is a minimum standard. Sections, at their discretion, may impose a higher standard which all clubs () and skating schools () within the sections' boundaries must adopt and implement.

A skater beyond a CanSkate Stage 5 level who chooses to wear a CSA approved hockey helmet during a competition or test day will not be subjected to any deductions in relation to the use of a CSA approved hockey helmet.