



CANADIAN BALL HOCKEY ASSOCIATION TECHNICAL BULLETIN – MAY 1/08

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CBHA Officials
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In an effort to clarify what the CBHA considers acceptable equipment for use of play we issue this Technical Bulletin.

Eligible Ball Hockey Helmets

- Any ice hockey helmet originally CSA approved at its time of purchase that has not been physically altered with paint, or protruding clips, or in any other way that is deemed dangerous to the player or an opponent.
- Helmets that are clearly in disrepair* due to damage or long term wear, should be prohibited at the referees discretion.
- Application of stickers, or removal of ear guard, will not render it unusable for CBHA play.

Eligible Ball Hockey Gloves

- All ice hockey gloves
- Zebra gloves
- Mylec glove models Ultra 690 Series and Air Flo 790 Series
- Lacrosse gloves with closed inside wrist protection
- Gloves may not be altered by cutting out of palms.
- Gloves may have worn palm from normal wear, provided no parts of fingers are exposed. Finger portion may be repaired with tape to cover any exposure on the under-side.

Eligible Goalie Masks

- Please note that some models of goaltender masks and most cages do not have CSA sticker on the outside, in particular Eddy Masks and Itech, although they have been certified for hockey use. These pieces are clearly marked with model numbers. If there is doubt, the player should be instructed to acquire and maintain documentation from CSA or manufacturer which lists the model(s) as certified. In the interim, the referee may conduct a simple test to determine its safety. If the blade of a legal hockey stick cannot penetrate the cage, in particular the eye-holes, to a depth that would cause injury, then cage is considered safe enough for ball hockey game use.
- Complete list of certified goalie masks/cages is available at: www.directories.csa-international.org/ Class 7261-02.
- Helmets/facemasks that are clearly in disrepair due to damage or long term wear, should be prohibited at the referees discretion.
- The application of stickers, or professional paint design, to the helmet/facemask will not render it unusable for CBHA purposes.

**Definition/Guideline: Disrepair – Typical signs include missing interior foam, cracks in plastic or fiberglass, missing straps, chin straps replaced with tape or shoe lace, or bent bars.*