

Net Policy



- PLAYERS USING THESE FACILITIES DO SO AT THEIR OWN RISK.

Sandy Cricket Club accepts no responsibility for accidents which may occur in these nets. If a player sustains an injury they must report it immediately to a club official and record it in the accident book.

- BATTERS MUST ALWAYS USE PADS, GLOVES AND A BOX WHEN BATTING, UNDER 18'S MUST ALWAYS WEAR A HELMET.

Batsmen must pad up at the side of the nets, away from the entrance/exit to the nets. Cricket equipment must not be left in the nets. Batters should never put their head near the netting and must use their bats to dislodge the ball from the nets after checking for activity. They should return the ball underarm.

- ALWAYS LOOK CAREFULLY WHEN ENTERING NETS. YOU MUST NEVER CROSS A NET WHEN A BOWLER IS RUNNING UP.

Everyone using the nets must watch the batsman at all times (beware of the straight drive). Bowlers should never turn their back to the batter or stand at the side of a net. They should always position themselves to make sure a ball from an adjacent net cannot hit them. When retrieving the ball from nets they should always check for activity in the adjacent net before using their foot to take it out of the netting, and never put their head near the netting.

- MAXIMUM OF SIX PLAYERS IN A NET AT ANY ONE TIME.

This condition is essential for the safety of all net users. Coaches will stop activity in all nets if there is any unsafe practice which may result in injury.

- MEDICAL CONDITIONS

If any member using the nets has a medical condition that has any safety implications (e.g. epilepsy) they should inform the person running the net. Any user under 18 years of age must comply with the "ECB Cricket Directives" including the following:

- ALL under-18's must wear a helmet when batting or keeping wicket.
- Fast bowlers must adhere to ECB Guidelines concerning number of balls bowled.

Bowling Machines should only be operated by qualified coaches or those authorised to do so