

CONTACTS
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HELMET POLICY

NAME	ORGANIZATION	FOLLOW UP	COMMENTS
Shirley Yee 813-7836	CHIRPP-Canadian Hospital Reporting Prevention Program	Stats forwarded see attached summary	Stats as they relate to ages, type of injury, which sport etc
Jasmine Stein 392-7226	Toronto –Legal	e-mailed questions related to helmets and ratios and sent a ddraft of the policy	Provided summary answers to our question. If policy developed by P&R, must be monitored and Division is held liable for enforcement. Post signage reflecting the policy, use at own risk etc. children under the age of six (birthday parties) are required to wear helmets.
Donna King- Gallant 1 888 747-2372 613 747-1007	Figure skating Association now known as Skate Canada	Sent stats and recommendation- beginners who are just learning to skate should wear helmets, they strongly recommend.	Head injuries are minimal in figure skating, incident rates are low and therefor the legal insurance dep. states that they do not have to wear helmets. There is a formula used to determine risk. Guidelines to ensure safety were provided. See attached Some clubs have made it mandatory for members to wear CSA approved hockey helmets with face protector
Brian Laur 397-4114 fax 397-4555 Jeff Madeley 392-6301	Toronto Risk Management	e-mailed-questions related to helmets and ratios as well as a draft of the Helmet Policy	"Helmet use is encouraged at all times, in programs where there are higher risks of injury the use of CSA approved hockey helmets will be required. If signs are posted indicating that helmets are mandatory and staff are present and do not enforce the policy this could attract liability
Andrea Boylan Stan Walton	City of Toronto Parks and Recreation	Checked with Former North York Policy CHA and GTHA	All participants regardless of age, while playing hockey, must wear CSA approved helmets. Younge, beginners skaters in instructional skating programs must wear CSA approved hockey helmets Amateur hockey player, mandatory CSA approved helmets

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Guidelines	ORFA		Stay away from using the mandatory because then you must be able to enforce it and monitor it. ORFA uses the words CSA approved helmets are recommended
South District	Boards of Management	No written documentation McCormick and George Bell	They all do their own thing no real written policies one way or another.
Recreation and Parks Department	City of Mississauga	Pamphlet and Brochure	Very age specific CSA approved helmets recommended for all participants especially for children under 4 during pleasure skate CSA approved helmets are mandatory for hockey, power skate, shinny, preschool and parent & tot programs
Parks and Recreation Department	Town of Brampton	Faxed information	Pleasure Skate and new skate recommended under the age of 8 Shinny Hockey , Mandatory with face guard for youth and children
Parks and Recreation Department	City of Vaughan	Not available	No written policy
Parks and Recreation Department	City of Pickering	Faxed information	Minimum of two skating monitors on the ice at all public skate periods Skating aids will not be permitted on ice during public skate periods under any circumstances CSA approved helmets recommended

Dan Koeneg 222-8282 ext 2498	Toronto District Separate School Board	Telephone conversation	No written policy per say, Parents are made aware of the importance of wearing a CSA approved helmet. But it is not required, cost would be too enormous and it would therefor be a big affordability issue
Susan Carole Rocks 397-6000 Mark Witcombe 395-5016 1-519 939-0020 Richard Ward Coordinator of Phys ed	TDSB retired retired elementary	Telephone conversation	No written policy May have best practices Have not heard back
Frank Facto	Labour Relations	e-mail	Yes we can instruct staff to wear helmets as long as the request is reasonable, work related, consistent with applicable collective agreements, clear, and communicated to employees and such rule shall be enforced consistently and fairly from the time it is implemented. Can we require employees to provide their own helmets. Rec. Workers agreement states that "Safety equipment and safety attire shall be supplied to all employees who are required to perform duties where hazards exist" If we require that helmets be worn (primary reason is safety) that would imply that a hazard exists and would therefor trigger the "shall be supplied Part" . We may be able to make it a condition of employment or job requirement in the future
Dina Carrescia	Health and Safety	e-mail	Have not responded