

BOWLING MACHINE SAFETY CARD



Hazards

- Injuries whilst moving the machine
- Electrocutation
- Being struck by a ball

ALWAYS...

While setting up the machine

- Cease practice in adjoining nets to move machine.
- Set up a safety net in front & behind the machine to minimize risk of injury to others.
- Take care while plugging in the machine.
- Place the platform behind the bowling machine for operator to stand.
- Clip the bucket/bag of balls to the hook on the machine.
- Ask Cricket ACT staff how to operate the automatic feeder (if booked)

Prior to operating the bowling machine

- Ensure batter is wearing full protective gear including helmet.
- Ensure batter enters the wicket area down the side and not in front of the bowling machine.

While operating the machine

- Test the direction and speed of the machine to ensure the ball delivery speed is set to suit the batter's skill level.

- Ensure the batter is ready and looking.
- Signal before feeding the ball.
- Watch for any balls struck back towards the machine and act accordingly.
- Look for any balls that stop in the landing zone and notify the batter to move them.

In the event of malfunction

- Make sure the batter moves out of harm's way.
- If a ball jams within the machine, or any other error occurs, shut down the machine by turning off and disconnecting it from its electricity source. Ensure the machine cools down prior to rectifying the ball jam.
- If you are unsure how to rectify the issue, please contact the Bookings Officer.
- When picking up balls make sure the machine is turned off before leaving the machine.

When putting away machine

- Turn off the machine and unplug from the outlet.
- Wait for machine to stop.
- Pause practice in other nets while moving the machine to the back of the nets.
- Pick up any stray balls and tidy area before leaving.

Please contact the Bookings Officer on **0483 891 018** if you have any queries or concerns about the operation of this machine.