Saints Batting Cage Regulations

1. General

- **1.1** This document contains the regulations established by Macquarie Saints Baseball Club that apply to any member in the Club using the batting cage.
- **1.2** The purpose of these regulations is to ensure the safety of those using the Hack Attack pitching machines in the batting cage and the safeguarding of equipment.
- **1.3** These regulations must be read in conjunction with the Batting Cage Rules which must be obeyed by everyone using the batting cage.

2. Access

- **2.1** Entrance into the cages is to be made via the storeroom using the double doors. The gate at the end of tunnel 1 is to remain closed and locked at all times.
- **2.2** The batting cage may be used by members of the Club without the supervision of an authorised member for any activities not involving the Hack Attack pitching machines, provided the Saints Batting Cage Regulations and Batting Cage Rules are followed.
- **2.3** Members using a Hack Attack pitching machine must be authorised members or under the supervision of an authorised member.
- **2.4** Members will be allocated Team Access.
- **2.5** Access to the cage will be limited to one hour per team per day, this includes pack up time. Extended or multiple time slots may be allowed in non-peak times.
- **2.6** Visitors that have been approved by the executive committee to use the batting cage must be under the supervision of an authorised member.

3. Authorised Members

- **3.1** Authorised members may use and supervise the use of the Hack Attack pitching machines.
- **3.2** Authorised members are responsible for the safety of those they're supervising in the batting cage and the safeguarding of the Hack Attack pitching machines.
- **3.3** Authorised members will be limited to the Club's committee and coaches. A special request to become authorised by a person who is not on the Club's committee or is not a Club Coach may be made by the Club's executive committee. However, the executive committee is under no duty to consider the request. If the executive committee does decide to consider the special request, whether or not it is granted is completely at the executive committee's discretion.
- 3.4 To become authorised, a person must have completed an induction on the operation and safe use of the Hack Attack pitching machines and signed the Authorised Member Induction Form. After signing the Authorised Member Induction Form, authorised members are deemed to have agreed to, and abide by the Saints Batting Cage Regulations, the Batting Cage Rules and be confident operating the Hack Attack pitching machines safely.

4. Keys/Codes

- **4.1** Committee members and coaches are eligible to receive an access code to the cage and after becoming authorised members, keys to the Hack Attack pitching machines. Special requests may be granted at the discretion of the executive committee.
- **4.2** Care must be taken to ensure keys and codes are kept safe. Any lost or stolen keys are to be reported immediately to the Equipment Officer.
- **4.3** Codes are not to be distributed to other members unless permission has been approved by the executive committee. Teams or individuals found in breach of this rule may result in revocation of keys and codes and be banned from further use.
- **4.4** Teams or individuals found in breach of these regulations, disobeying the Batting Cage Rules, displaying any negligence in care or deliberate acts of vandalism may result in revocation of keys and codes. Continued violations may extend in the further loss of privileges.

5. Bookings

- **5.1** Use of the batting cages will only be allowed once a booking has been successfully made at an available time slot.
- **5.2** Bookings are to be made via the booking system found on the Saints website.
- **5.3** Time slots will be allocated to teams.
- **5.4** It's each team's responsibility to check their booking is still valid prior to their arrival.
- **5.5** On game day, teams are automatically entitled to an hour in the cage immediately before their scheduled start time. If more than two games are playing or start times overlap, this may be shortened and the final decision will be made by the Juniors VP.
- **5.6** On training days, teams will be allowed one hour in the cage during their session. Depending on the number of teams training and their starting times, when this hour occurs will need to be discussed with the other coaches and the final decision will be made by the Juniors VP.
- **5.7** The batting cage is generally not available for use by visitors. Any visitors wanting to book the batting cage are to be directed to the executive committee for approval.
- **5.8** The executive committee reserves the right to cancel bookings at any time.

6. Storeroom

- **6.1** The storeroom between the two batting cages must be kept tidy and equipment is to be put away after use.
- **6.2** It's the responsibility of the user to ensure that the rubbish has been removed, equipment is put away correctly and the locks are secured properly.
- **6.3** Any damaged or missing equipment is to be reported to the Equipment Officer immediately.
- **6.4** The storeroom must be secured and the alarm is to be activated before leaving.