



EYEGUARD POLICY

Approved by the Board of Directors in March 2017

All players competing in Ontario Provincial Squash Championships must appropriately wear eyeguards made of polycarbonate or similar materials designed for protection in sports or comply with any eyeguard policy which may be in place at the time of the Championship. All juniors who are members in good standing of Squash Ontario must appropriately wear eyeguards made of polycarbonate or similar materials designed for protection in sports or comply with any eyeguard policy which may be in place at the time of the sanctioned event, and any Canadian junior who participates in a Squash Ontario sanctioned activity conducted or held at a Squash Ontario member facility must appropriately wear eyeguards made of polycarbonate or similar materials designed for protection in sports.

All players participating in doubles events must appropriately wear eyeguards made of polycarbonate or similar materials designed for protection in sports or comply with any eyeguard policy which may be in place at the time of the event.

It is incumbent upon tournament promoters or organizers to ensure, if the mandatory ruling is applicable, that all competitors adhere to the ruling as failure to do so may result in revocation of sanction and/or liability insurance claims against the host club, organizer, opponent, or sponsor.

Two standards for eyeguards have been developed in North America for "Eye Protectors in Racquet Sports". These are: the Canadian Standards Association (CSA P400), and the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM F803). A third standard body, the American National Standards (ANSI), does not have any standard for eye protectors in racquet sports.

Many eye protectors which are sold do not, and would not, meet these standards. In fact, many of these eye protectors are actually just clear sunglasses. The standards which the clear sunglasses meet are basically to keep wind and bugs out of your eyes, not balls and racquets. When you are purchasing eyeguards, it is important that you pay particular attention to what the eyeguard is made of (polycarbonate lenses) and what standards the eyeguards meet.