



## GUARDIAN CAPS AND HELMET COVERS

Guardian Caps and soft-shell protective covers on helmets have risen in popularity as of late with a goal of adding some additional safety to players who choose to wear them. Football Canada recognizes the importance of ensuring their safe and effective use in the sport.

As more teams and organizations have expressed exploring the various manufactured products, we've spoken with various partners and stakeholders to ensure implementation is done correctly.

While we further investigate the impact of wearing these caps, Football Canada has **approved the use of Guardian Caps / manufactured protective helmet covers during practices/games, effective immediately.** We will monitor this situation over the remaining months of the tackle season and this item will be advanced to Rules Committee this winter for future considerations.

Our priority remains the safety of our players, and we will continue to work diligently to ensure that any protective equipment used in our sport meets the highest standards alongside proper documentation supporting it.

