

# Batting Cage Rules

The following rules have been established to ensure the safe use of the batting cage. These rules must be adhered to at all times during the use of the batting cage. Individuals observed to be in violation of these rules are subject to loss of privilege to use the batting cage.

1. The batting cages are intended for use only as designed, not as “play” areas. If a batting cage is not being used for its intended purpose, it is to remain locked.
2. Abusive use and/or damaging of the batting cage will result in immediate removal and loss of privilege.
3. During use, only 1 person is permitted in the cage at a time to hit. Players awaiting their turn shall be outside the batting cage with the cage door closed.
4. All batters are required to wear an approved protective batting helmet and closed toe shoes at all times while in the batting cage.
5. When in use, the access gate must be closed to prevent others from being exposed to hit balls.
6. No “practice swinging” is permitted, except for on the athletic fields and in the batting cages.
7. A responsible adult must remain in the batting cage and supervise all activity.
8. The batting cages may be used for hitting pitched balls, batting tee drills, or soft toss drills.
9. Pitching machines are not permitted. Adults only are allowed to pitch. The pitcher must wear a glove and throw from behind the protective screen to protect that person from batted balls.
10. No food or drink is allowed in the batting cage.
11. Only hard rubber coated balls may be used in the batting cage.
12. It is strongly suggested that wood bats be utilized in the batting cages. Wooden bats will decrease the chance of balls jumping off the posts with less pop than an aluminum bat.
13. The City of Mason will facilitate the use of the batting cages through permit only. Permits require proof of liability insurance naming the City as an additional

insured and a signed hold harmless agreement. To apply for a permit contact Parks & Recreation Department at 229-8550.

14. These facilities are regularly inspected by the City of Mason. Report any problems, damage or maintenance needs to the Mason Parks & Recreation Department at 229-8550.
15. Serious injury may result from the use of these facilities. Batting activities are hazardous. Look before you swing. Always think safety first.