



# Hayes (Kent) Cricket Club Limited

## Guidelines for Using the Club Net Facilities

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Hayes (Kent) Cricket Club Limited (“the Club”) provides net facilities at Barnet Wood Road for the use of members for training and practice. The following guidelines apply to all members, coaches, parents and guests using the nets. All users must familiarise themselves with and adhere to these guidelines at all times.

Note: The original 2020 guidelines were issued specifically to manage the re-introduction of net use during the COVID-19 pandemic and contained temporary public health measures that are no longer applicable. This document supersedes those guidelines entirely.

### 1. Booking

- All net sessions must be pre-booked using the Club’s online booking system at: [www.supersaas.co.uk/schedule/Hayes\\_CC/Cricket\\_Nets](http://www.supersaas.co.uk/schedule/Hayes_CC/Cricket_Nets)
- Walk-in use of the nets without a booking is not permitted, to ensure fair access for all members and to allow the Club to manage safeguarding and supervision requirements.
- Bookings are available to paid-up Club members only. Guests may use the nets only when accompanied by a member and with prior agreement from a Club Officer.
- Members should arrive promptly for their booked slot and vacate the nets on time to allow the next booked session to begin.

### 2. Authorised Coaching in the Nets

- Only authorised Hayes (Kent) Cricket Club coaches are permitted to provide coaching in the net facilities. Our current authorised coaches are Grit Sport Coaching Limited. No external, independent or privately engaged coaches may use the Club’s nets to coach club members under any circumstances.
- This restriction exists to protect the safeguarding of all members, particularly juniors, by ensuring only vetted, DBS-checked and ECB-qualified individuals are coaching within club facilities.
- Any breach of this requirement should be reported to a Club Officer immediately.

### 3. Junior Members

- Junior members (under 18) must be supervised by a responsible adult or authorised Club coach at all times whilst using the nets.
- Juniors must not use the nets outside of supervised coaching sessions unless a parent or carer is present throughout the session.
- Unless a junior member is with their parent or guardian, adults must not be alone with a junior member in the nets. At least two adults should be present, or the session should be visible to other members/parents at all times.

### 4. Health and Safety

- All batters must wear appropriate protective equipment at all times, including a helmet, batting pads, gloves and an abdominal guard (where applicable).
- Bowlers should warm up appropriately before bowling at full pace to reduce the risk of injury.
- The nets must be inspected before use. Any damage to netting, matting, wickets or other equipment must be reported to a Club Officer immediately and the net must not be used until it has been declared safe.
- No more than the agreed number of players per net should use any net at one time.
- Users must follow any additional health and safety instructions issued by the Groundsman or Club Officers.
- First aid equipment is available at the clubhouse and in the end net closest to the clubhouse. In the event of an injury, contact a Club Officer immediately.

### 5. Equipment and Facilities

- Only handle your own equipment. Do not use, move or interfere with Club equipment, machinery or the Groundsman's tools.
- The nets and surrounding areas must be left clean and tidy after each session. Remove all personal belongings and any litter.
- Report any damage to equipment or facilities to a Club Officer as soon as possible.

### 6. Conduct

- All members must behave respectfully towards fellow members, coaches, the Groundsman and Club Officials at all times.
  - Mobile phones must not be used for photography or recording within the nets without the prior written consent of all individuals present and, where juniors are involved, of their parents or carers.
  - Alcohol must not be consumed in or around the net area during training sessions.
  - The Club reserves the right to withdraw net access from any member who does not comply with these guidelines.
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*Rewritten April 2026. The original May 2020 guidelines were COVID-19 specific and are no longer applicable. This policy now reflects normal operating conditions and incorporates the Club's authorised coaches policy and current safeguarding requirements. Review due April 2028.*