



Cascade Statement Regarding Cascade R Helmet

The National Operating Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment (NOCSAE) has announced that the Cascade R model lacrosse helmet no longer complies with NOCSAE standard ND041 and that Cascade's certification of compliance on that helmet model only is now invalid.

We are working with NOCSAE to clarify the concerns and appropriately address the issue. However, our first priority is always to our loyal Cascade customers.

Players not in immediate need of a certified helmet are encouraged to retain their helmet. Cascade is confident that we will be able to re-certify the helmet and that recertification could be a simple fix. We expect to communicate all available remedies as soon as possible, once approved by NOCSAE.

We are communicating the following information to consumers:

- *If you are a player that owns an R helmet and has games in November/Early December but do not own another certified helmet (CPX-R, Pro7, CPV-R, CPV, CS-R, CS), you should contact your preferred lacrosse retailer to understand if they have the ability to fit you with a certified helmet. If yes, return your R helmet to that retailer and they will provide a replacement.*
- *If you are a player that owns an R helmet and are not using it until the season starts, we are asking you to please hold onto your helmet in the short-term. In the coming weeks we will have a procedure in place for you to receive either an update to your R model or another replacement option.*
- *If you are a team that owns R helmets and has games in November/Early December but do not have another certified helmet solution, please contact Cascade customer service at (800) 537-1702 and we will do our best to find a lacrosse retailer to support your needs.*
- *If you are a team that has R helmets and do not need to use them immediately we are asking you to please hold onto your helmets in the short-term. In the coming weeks we will have a procedure in place for you to receive either an update to your R models or another replacement option.*

Detailed instructions on necessary steps will be made available on our web site www.cascadelacrosse.com and provided to all relevant governing bodies as soon as they become available.

It is important to note that the Cascade R model has passed applicable NOCSAE standards at two separate, independent, NOCSAE-accredited test labs commissioned by the Company.

We apologize for the confusion and disruption caused by today's announcement. We know you have trusted Cascade and our products for more than 28 years and we will do everything in our power to ensure that trust remains for many years to come.

Thank you

Cascade Lacrosse