

Specialty Developments

Instructions for fitting faceguard

Tools Needed: Pencil, 3x nuts & bolts (preferably Stainless Steel or Brass), suitable drill (just slightly larger than the width of the bolts), screw driver (to fit bolt heads), spanner (to fit the nuts).

Any suitable nuts & bolts can be use, but we recommend 12x5mm Stainless with locknuts.

Instructions for Fitting:

- With the paddler wearing the helmet, hold the faceguard in position over the helmet.
- Mark the centre hole position. On the H-Pot this is easily seen as the central ridge of the helmet running from front to back.

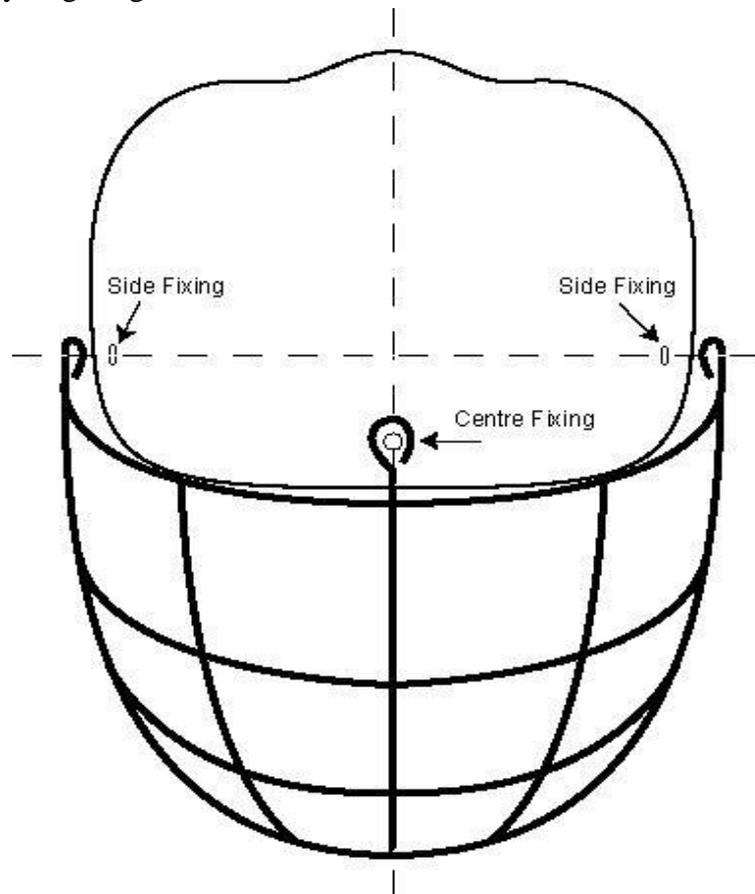
N.B.

Due to the shape of this faceguard offering full facial protection including the lower jaw, be sure to leave enough gap for the paddler to put on and take off the helmet following fitting. This usually means the centre fixing needs to be a little higher up the helmet than the two side fixings.

Current rules dictate that there should be at least 1cm between the paddlers tip of their nose and the faceguard.

Current interpretation (which is completely un-reasonable as far as we are concerned) will require there to be no gap between the upper horizontal bar and the bottom of the helmet. As it is shown on the illustration below will be acceptable so long as there is contact between the two parts.

- Once satisfied on the position, drill the centre-fixing hole.
- Fit the centre fixing hole using nuts & bolts, but only finger tight.
- With the paddler wearing the helmet + guard, centralise the guard and mark the position of one of the side fixings, taking care to leave at least 5mm from the edge of the helmet, or there will not be enough material to maintain a strong fixing.
- Removed from the paddler and then drill and attach the first side fixing.
- Get the paddler to put the helmet back on and then mark the second side fixing, ensuring it is all level.
- Remove from the paddler and then drill and attach the second side fixing.
- Ensure the position is satisfactory with ease of entry/exit of the paddler's head in the helmet with faceguard.
- Using the screwdriver and spanner secure all three nuts & bolts.



Practical Considerations

You can bend the fixing points in a vice to create a spacer, or use a larger nut positioned between the faceguard and the helmet.

Use the Bolt on the inside of the helmet as it will be more flat than a nut when positioned close to the paddlers head.

Make sure there is some padding to cover the bolt heads on the inside of the helmet to protect the paddler. If there isn't enough space to do this, then they NEED a larger helmet !