



Helmet Selection Guide

This guide is designed to give an understanding of what the variations and designations are between various helmet standards, certifications and labelling

Australian and British Standards



Australian Standard (AS/NZS 1698) and British Standard (BS6658) are allowed for use only in **car classes slower than 9.00 seconds** (1/4 mile), **Motorcycle classes slower than 10.00 seconds** (1/4 mile) and **Junior classes**.

The time life limitation for these helmets is **10 years from the date of manufacture**.

Standards Certifying Authorities

Various certifying bodies such as BSi Group, 5 Ticks and TuV, provide certification to prove that these helmets have been tested and certified to the appropriate standard.

Helmets that only come with labels or documentation stating they are 'tested' to the standards will not be accepted for use in competition.

Only certified helmets may be used.





SFI Standards

The SFI Foundation has three standards that are allowed in certain classes of ANDRA competition.

SFI standards are issued every 5 years

Helmet life is determined by the the year of the standard, for example, an SFI 31.1/2005 helmet will expire in 2015, **10 years from the date of the standard. Not 10 years from Date of Manufacture**

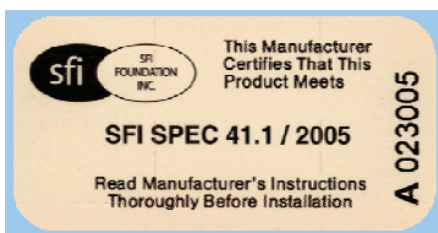
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SFI 31.1 or later Series Helmets



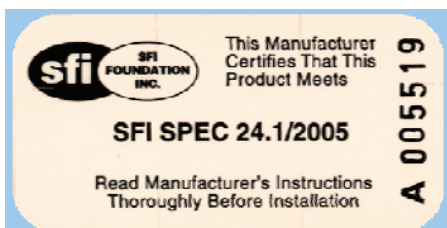
SFI 41.1 standard relates to the **structural testing requirements** that manufacturers must meet to be allowed to label their helmets with the SFI 41.1 certification

SFI 41.1 or later Series Helmets



SFI 31.1 standard relates to the **flame resistance requirements** that manufacturers must meet to be allowed to label their helmets with the SFI 31.1 certification

SFI 24.1 or later Series Helmets



SFI 24.1 standard relates to the structural testing requirements that manufacturers must meet to be allowed to label their helmets with the SFI 24.1 certification for **junior competition use only**.

NOTE:

SFI 31.1 spec helmets are comparable to Snell SA series helmets

SFI 41.1 spec helmets are comparable to Snell M series helmets

Some helmets may have both SFI and Snell certification labels



Snell Standards

Snell standards are issued every 5 years

Helmet life is determined by the the year of the standard, for example, an SA2005 helmet will expire in 2015, **10 years from the date of the standard.**

Not 10 years from Date of Manufacture

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Snell M Series Helmets

M Series helmets are designed for motorcycle use.

They are allowed for use in car classes slower than 10.99 seconds (1/4 mile), Junior classes, and all Motorcycle classes

Snell SA Series Helmets

SA Series helmets are used in Special Applications.

SA Series helmets are designed for vehicle use.

SA helmets are allowed for use in all classes.

Snell SAH Series Helmets

SAH Series helmets are used in Special Applications - HANS.

HANS stands for Head and Neck System

SAH helmets are allowed for use in all classes.

NOTE: From August 2011, previous Snell 2000 standard helmets will no longer be allowed in ANDRA competition