

Cricket Bats for Junior Players

If you wish to buy your child a new cricket bat, make sure that it is the correct size and not too heavy. It is a common mistake that bats are purchased that are too big and heavy for the child, possibly on the belief that they will 'grow into them'. This results in the child being unable to control the bat or execute good batting shots which is frustrating for them and forms bad habits which are difficult to correct.

The following is a simple and general guide when buying a bat:

The bat handle should be no higher than waist level when the bat is resting on the ground.

Ask the child to hold the bat vertically with the top hand in position only, for 15 seconds. If it drops it is probably too heavy.

| Height | Size |
|----------------|-----------|
| 1.75m & Over | FULL SIZE |
| 1.68m to 1.75m | ACADEMY |
| 1.63m to 1.68m | HARROW |
| 1.57m to 1.63m | 6 |
| 1.50m to 1.57m | 5 |
| 1.44m to 1.50m | 4 |
| 1.37m to 1.44m | 3 |
| 1.29m to 1.37m | 2 |
| 0.00m to 1.29m | 1 |