

The safety rules state that the driver's helmet needs to be Snell approved with an 85 rating. I have looked at four top of the line Shoei and Arai helmets, all Snell approved and no rating label. Where is the rating label and how important is the 85 rating if the helmet is Snell approved?

The Snell 85 rating means that the helmet meets the Snell foundation specifications in effect in 1985. If your helmet was manufactured after 1985 and has a Snell approval label, it passes.

Just an FYI, Iowa runs a SNELL rating of 95. So if anyone ever plans to travel out of state for more experiences with your students, plan ahead...

ALSO, has anyone found a cheap place to purchase these helmets? I purchased a cheap F&F Bell helmet last year and it was not even snell rated... It said DOT, but no snell anywhere. So we borrowed one luckily. Are we looking at over \$100 a helmet?

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From the searching I did, a Snell M2000 rated open face helmet start around 120 dollars. a full face will be starting around 400 dollars. If there is a cheap place to get them i have not found it. Most motorcycle type helmets will only have a DOT rating and are not Snell approved.

The Wisconsin Electrathon 2008 Rules require helmets to have a Snell rating of 95 or greater (not 85). This was updated to prepare teams to travel to other state competitions and to keep up with safety technologies.

~Sara