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Mr. Patrick Wilson  
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**Re: "C-Flap" and NOCSAE Certification**

Dear Pat:

We are in receipt of your letter and email dated 16 May 2018 requesting clarification on NOCSAE certification of Easton helmets to which a player adds a "C-flap". We provide the following response.

Our position is simple – the addition of any device to one of our helmets voids the SEI certification to the NOCSAE Standard if the user materially alters the helmet in order add the device. Generally, third party c-flaps cannot be properly attached to Easton helmets without modification. As such, their addition, regardless of how attached, voids both our warranty and its SEI certification.

We are aware of a couple of exceptions to the general rule provided above regarding the attachment of third party C-flaps to Easton helmets. The Markwort C-Flap can be properly attached to Easton's Z7, Z6 and Z6 Elite helmets without modification. Our warranty and SEI certification to the NOCSAE Standard for these helmets remain intact when the Markwort C-Flap is properly attached. Please note, however, that the SEI certification to the NOCSAE Standard only extends to our helmet. NOCSAE does not publish any standard for c-flaps on a stand-alone basis, or when combined with helmets.

Please note, we now offer Easton's own *Extended Jaw Guard*. Easton's Extended Jaw Guard can be attached to our Z5 helmet, our Pro X helmet and our Elite X helmet. In all cases, the Extended Jaw Guard can utilize existing holes on these helmets for installation, requiring no modification. The Extended Jaw Guard -- when attached to the Z5, Pro X and Elite X -- will neither impact the warranty nor the SEI certification to the NOCSAE Standard of these helmets. Please note that the Pro X and Elite X helmets will be available for purchase with the Extended Jaw Guard already attached as combined products, or as standalone helmets as well.

We hope this is helpful and provides the requested clarification. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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