

Whipcracking Workshop – Safety Rules and Regulations – Australian Whipcrackers and Plaiters Association.

WARNING: DO take care when cracking your whip, make sure there is no one near you. When a whip cracks the tip is travelling at over 1400 feet per second. That is faster than the speed of sound and in some cases faster than a bullet. If your whip hits anything or anyone when it cracks it is quite capable of cutting flesh and breaking bones. It is also possible to lose your eyesight if you don't take the proper safety precautions.

NOISE: Be aware of the noise when cracking your whip, particularly when cracking excessively.

Safety Gear Recommended to wear when cracking a whip:

1. A wide brimmed hat

2. Safety glasses

3. Ear Plugs

For demonstrations a roped off area of around 15mtrs x 15mtrs is recommended. A first aid kit must also be present according to insurance stipulations.