



Weather Policy

In the case of severe weather please check the SYSA website (www.sysa.com) Cancellations or game change notifications will appear on the homepage and the main-page for the affected sports.

- Cancellations will occur for lightning (see below), flooding, or severe snow and ice.
- Cancellations will be posted on the SYSA website by 3 PM. Games/meets not cancelled by 3 PM are determined playable, or not, by the officials and head coaches.

Soccer, Lacrosse, Football, Cross Country continue rain or shine.

Baseball, Softball, Track continue if at all possible but are subject to cancellation due to rain.

Lightning Policy

Officials and coaches make decisions based on recommendations from the National Severe Storms Laboratory (NSSL) using the flash-to-bang method regarding suspensions & terminations of games/practices due to lightning.

Flash-to-bang method:

- count the seconds from the time the lightning is sighted to when the clap of thunder is heard
- If clap of thunder is heard within 30 seconds of the lightning flash, then all games/practices are suspended for a minimum of 30 minutes.
- Games/practices do not resume for at least 30 minutes after the last flash-to-bang of less than 30 seconds.

When games/practices are suspended due to lightning, individuals should leave the game site and seek a safe structure or location.

Weather is out of everyone's control and SYSA will try to reschedule if possible. However in some cases, games/meets may not be able to be rescheduled due to the limited number of available weekends in each season.