



Weather Policy

Adverse weather conditions are outside SYSA's control and may result in the cancellation of SYSA events. Adverse weather conditions may include, but are not limited to, poor air quality, flooding, fires, heavy rain, high winds, severe snow and ice, and lightning.

Please see the Lightning Policy below for procedures for lightning occurrences during SYSA events.

Soccer continues rain or shine.

Football and Cross Country continue rain or shine.

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

Indoor Sports may be canceled due to inclement weather or unsafe facility conditions.

Unfortunately, SYSA events canceled due to adverse weather conditions may not be rescheduled due to limited field availability or time restraints. No refunds will be given.

Practice/game cancellations will be announced via email and/or posted on the SYSA website by 3 PM.

Games/meets not canceled by 3 PM are determined playable. After 3:00 pm, the officials or head coaches may make the determination.

Lightning

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 a 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.