

# **WEATHER POLICY**

## **CPRD Weather/Rainout Hotline**

### **618-346-7529**

*(This is the Parks and Recreation Office Phone number)*

**Press #1**

**\*Updates will be made no later than 4pm on weekday games\***

**\*Updates will be posted 2 hours before the first scheduled game on Saturdays and will be updated throughout the day if needed\***

## **DO NOT CONTACT THE OFFICE DIRECTLY FOR CANCELLATION INFORMATION**

*A complete copy of CPRD's Weather Policy can be found on the CBSL website*

**\*\*Official game cancellations will be made by the League Office ONLY\*\***

### **Rain/Inclement Weather Policy**

Cancellation due to unplayable conditions or unforeseen conflicts will have the potential to be rescheduled if allowable.

### **Lightning Policy**

If lightning can be seen, all persons shall leave the field/facility and move to a safe area, such as car, pavilion, etc. and enter a mandatory 30-minute delay. If no lightning is seen for 30 minutes, play will resume. If lightning is seen anytime within the 30-minute delay, the countdown resets to 30 minutes. *This is required of all user groups at any Collinsville athletic facility.*

***\*The U.I.C. and/or the Site Supervisor will be the official timekeeper for any lightning delays. Game cannot resume until given approval from the U.I.C or Site Supervisor\****

### **Heat Policy**

Hot weather policy for cancellations, delays, and heat safety procedures for any outdoor facilities includes the following:

- **Heat Index of 95-99 degrees**
  - Optional break in play every 30 minutes
  - Break lasts up to 10 minutes
  - Watch and monitor participants and take any necessary action
- **Heat Index 100-105 degrees**
  - Mandatory water breaks every 30 minutes for up to 10 minutes
  - Game clock does NOT stop
  - Players must hydrate, remove protective gear, and attempt to find shade if available
  - Players in the Catcher position, may not catch for more than two consecutive innings
  - Watch and monitor participants and take any necessary action
- **Heat Index greater than 105 degrees**
  - Start of game is delayed; new start time to be decided upon by a representative of the Parks and Recreation Department
  - If the heat index has not changed, the game will be cancelled
  - All rules for the Heat Index of 100-105 degrees will be followed

### **Cold Weather Policy**

Cold Weather cancellation policy for any outdoor facility includes wind chill or temperature **at or below 24 degrees** for *internal programs.*

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## **O'Fallon Parks and Rec Weather/Rainout Hotline**

**618-622-1439**

- The Weather Hotline is (618) 622-1439 and you can also visit our Facebook page for updates.
  - **UPDATES WILL BE MADE NO LATER THAN 4PM**
  - If you call prior to 4PM, and the message has not been updated, we are still working to make decision on fields
  - If you call after 4PM, and the message has not been updated, that means that all games are on as scheduled
- In O'Fallon Community Park (on top of Pavilion #4) and at the Family Sports Park (on top of the Splash Pad Pavilion) there are lightning detectors
  - Detectors will blast for 15 seconds and the light at the top will strobe when lightning is detected within an 8-mile radius. After 15 seconds the horn will stop, but the light will keep strobing while lightning is detected
  - If 20-minutes pass and no other lightning is detected, the horn will sound with 3-bursts five seconds long and the light will turn off. That is the all-clear and play can resume
- If you are at Hesse Park, Shiloh Community Park, or Three Springs Park and anyone sees lightning, teams must leave the field and enter a mandatory 20-minute delay. If no lightning is seen for 20 minutes, play can resume. If lightning is seen anytime during the 20-minute delay the countdown resets to 20-minutes.

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## Tri-Township Park District

Per [Tritownshipark.com](http://Tritownshipark.com)

### **Rain Out/Field Cancellation Policy:**

The field crew assesses the fields at 3pm daily. We post by 3:30 at the very latest. All games are on as scheduled unless by 3:30 we have posted here and on our website that there is a canceled field/game. This is plenty of time to notify all parents and grandparents if needed. If we can line the fields, the games are ON. If we can not line the fields due to field conditions, we will immediately post on here and on our webpage what fields are not playable, canceled, or moved. Please be patient. We do not want to call too early as a good wind day or a little sun for a few hours dries a field.

We do not call for weather. Many time weather passes us. We try to play all games. If we can line them, we do and if a front pushes thru, the Umpire Coordinator and Baseball Coordinator will assess the situation on the fields. A light rain, we play. Lightening we do not. We can not predict weather and we do not have anyone at the fields until 5:30- so the Coordinators talk at this time.

Please know the staff in the office does not have info on the fields as we are working intensely at our desks so early detection is not possible 😞. If we know earlier than 3:30, we always post. Promise!!!!

The following heat index policy guidelines have been established to ensure the safety and welfare of all players, coaches, and umpires involved with the sport of softball.

### HEAT INDEX ACTIONS

80° - 89°: Use caution; Monitor athletes carefully for necessary action.

90° - 104°: Use extreme caution; Ensure water breaks are allowed as needed; Ensure that all individuals drink fluids and that uniforms are modified to ensure the coolest level available.

105° - 114°: Games shortened in duration to allow a longer break between games/innings for all involved; Alter uniforms where feasible;

115° & Above: All activities will be suspended until the heat index is below 115.

For cancellations, please go to the [Tri-Township Scheduling Website](#)