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### **Inclement Weather Policies**

#### A. RAIN OUTS

For days when it has rained in advance of game times a message regarding playing conditions will be put on the league answering machine 330-758-2123 and as soon as possible on the internet. The grounds crew will make the determination regarding field playing conditions. Questions should be directed to Greg Krieger 330-565-3114.

#### B. IN-GAME INCLEMENT WEATHER DEVELOPMENT

#### 1. THUNDER AND/OR LIGHTNING

- A. Officer of the Day will monitor lightning device located in officer of the day area.
- B. Officer of the Day will sound siren in direction of all fields if threatening weather develops. Electrical plugs are available around administration building for siren use. Red siren is located in room behind Officer of the Day desk.
- C. Managers should instruct players and parents to go to their cars. At this point, players should not leave complex. Managers should clear everyone from fence areas and players should not take cover in dugouts. (ALL PLAYERS AND PARENTS SHOULD REPORT TO THEIR CARS)
- D. Officer of the Day should use golf cart to canvas complex to make sure games have been suspended and everyone has reported to their cars.
- E. If fields are playable after the storm has passed, the following guidelines will be adhered to:
  - 1. GAMES WILL RESUME 30 MINUTES AFTER LAST FLASH OF LIGHTNING IS SEEN, IF NO THUNDER IS PRESENT.

# 2. GAMES WILL RESUME 30 MINUTES AFTER LAST SOUND OF THUNDER IS HEARD.

3. RAIN - NO THUNDER OR LIGHTNING
Umpires will determine when playing conditions are such that games cannot be continued.

# C. FIELDS OF DREAMS PARKING LOT EVACUATION PROCEDURES

In the event of severe weather developing, the Officer of the Day should try to convey the evacuation plan to managers and coaches so they can instruct their players and fans accordingly. Procedures are as follows:

- 1. Blacktop lots and the long, narrow lot at the east end of the complex should use the main entrance at McClurg Road.
- Large gravel lot at west end of the complex and adjacent to the Tee Ball fields should use the gate located behind the Ice Zone. The gate will be opened as weather is predicted to become severe.
- It is the responsibility of the Officer of the Day to have the gate behind the Ice Zone opened at their discretion, and to have it closed after the lots are emptied. Key is located on the Officer of the Day keyring.
- 4. As a point of interest, in the extreme case of a tornado citing, please remind people that a car is not a good place to be in. And that the lowest lying areas at the complex are the water containment areas located near the center of the complex. It is advised to relocate to the lowest lying area available and to keep your head protected.
- 5. Remember: SAFETY IS FREE USE IT GENEROUSLY