



### **WCUSC SEVERE WEATHER POLICY**

On severe weather days WCUSC will post an announcement by 3:00 PM on the club website; to notify teams if the conditions are too severe for players to be outside participating in team training sessions or games. This will apply for extreme cold conditions in the winter, extreme hot and humid conditions in the summer months, and also any expected T-Storms, lightning, & heavy rainfall.

If fields are listed as closed on the homepage; all outdoor practices and games will be cancelled for all travel and recreation league teams.

### **LIGHTNING & THUNDER POLICY:**

WCUSC will do its best to monitor the weather and predict any incoming Lightning & Thunder storms ahead of time and cancel scheduled events. If teams are out on the fields and lightning strikes: Practice will be delayed by a minimum of 20 minutes if the flash of lightning and its thunderclap occur within 30 seconds or less of one another. Practice will not resume until 20 minutes after the last sound of thunder. Team coaches and staff are responsible for ensuring that their players are safe during a storm. If lightning occurs during a practice, club event, or a team event, the team coaches and staff are responsible for monitoring weather conditions. The coaches are responsible for ensuring that all players are safe during the storm. Players will be told to leave the field for safe shelter, that includes sturdy buildings or inside a hard-top vehicle with windows closed. **AVOID:** Isolated trees or other tall objects, bodies of water, sheds, fences, convertibles, tractors, bikes and motorcycles. Avoid leaning against vehicles.

### **SEVERE COLD CONDITIONS:**

#### **U09 - U14 Teams:**

25 Fahrenheit or above: teams can practice

**24 Fahrenheit or below: U09-U14 teams can NOT practice**

#### **U15 - U18 Teams:**

25 Fahrenheit or above: teams can practice

20-24 Fahrenheit: at coaches discretion

*- in this temperature range dynamic training sessions are encouraged with little to no standing around!*

**19 Fahrenheit or below: teams can NOT practice**

If there is a large wind-chill we will take that into account. WCUSC will post updates on the website on severe weather days.

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