



Tulsa United Soccer Club
Risk Management Program
2010_2011

Severe Weather/Lightning

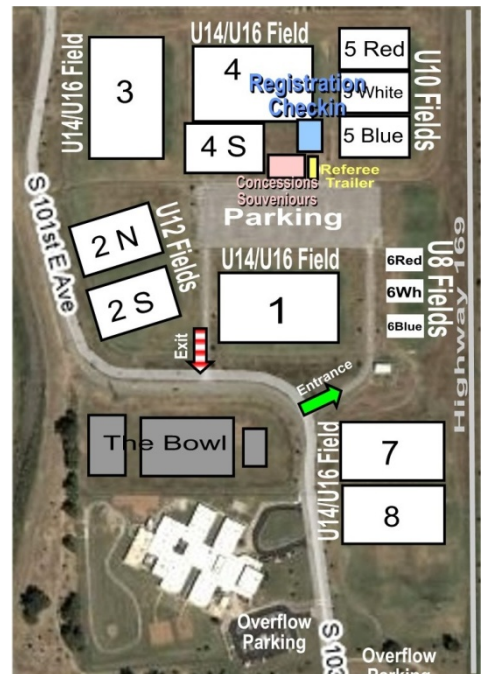
Upon first site of imminent severe weather, lightning or the sound of thunder:

- **Suspend play and send everybody off the fields** to their automobiles for safety. All players, coaches and officials should retreat to their automobiles.
- **Sound air horn with 3 long blasts**
- **Assess the closeness and severity of the weather** including measuring the proximity of lightning with a detector or where every second between the site of lightning and the sound of the respective thunder is approximately 1 mile. If lightning is within 50 miles (50 seconds), play shall remain suspended.
- After a **minimum** of 15 minutes of no lightning and if no additional threat of lightning or severe weather is apparent, sound all clear with 1 long blast on air horn to resume play.

Missing Child

Upon initial notice of a missing child:

- Immediately **close all gates** (Entrance and Exit) to complex
- **Sound air horn with 5 long blasts.** (Coaches and officials will be told in pre-season meetings to suspend play and initiate a search at this signal)
- **Suspend play** on all fields
- Send volunteers/coaches to **close pedestrian access locations** (especially north, south and west sides of complex). Allow no one to exit or enter complex in a car or on foot.
- Obtain **detailed description of missing child** – name, gender, clothing, height, weight and last location.
- **CALL 911**
- Use referees and coaches to **search entire complex** including trailers, sheds and port-a-johns as well as all parked cars.
- After child is found, sound all clear with 1 long blast on air horn and resume play.



Other Serious Injuries or threats:

- **CALL 911**



Tulsa United Soccer Club Chillfest Fall Recreational Soccer Tournament

Inclement Weather Policy For TUSC Tournaments

Safety of our players, parents and fans is the number one concern of TUSC. Therefore in the event of severe weather, especially involving lightening (see TUSC Risk Management Procedures), play will be suspended and everybody at the fields should seek shelter immediately. Play will resume 15 minutes AFTER the threat has passed.

Weather related suspension of play and re-starting of play will use the following procedure:

SUSPEND PLAY – 3 long blast of the air horn

RESUME PLAY – 1 long blasts of the air horn

Field Marshals will also be notified by radio of the suspension and resumption of play. Upon the suspension of play, teams must go immediately to their vehicles or a place of safety...**do not leave the site unless a severe threat persists and do not go to the TUSC tent or trailers for shelter.**

In the event of rain, play will continue unless the fields become so wet as to present a serious potential of injury to players or of lasting damage to the fields. In the event that any matches must be cancelled due to inclement weather, the score at the time of the cancellation will be declared final and will be recorded as such if one half has been completed. Matches not yet started or in progress, but with less than one half completed, will be recorded as a 0-0 tie. The Tournament Director reserves the right to make whatever adjustments may be necessary in game length to proceed with the schedule following a delay due to inclement weather.

In the event of rain during the finals, we will follow the above procedure. If at all possible, final contests will be decided on the field by completion of the game or by penalty kicks if time or conditions do not permit game completion. If the awards presentation is suspended, the head coach of each of the final teams should present themselves immediately following the end of their contest to the headquarters tent to receive their team's trophies and individual awards.

Additional information may be found on the TUSC web site at www.tulsaunitedsoccerclub.com or by calling the TUSC answering machine at 918.665.2870