

WEATHER POLICY



The safety of our players and damage to fields should be primary concerns of all WYBSL participants. Below is the Weather Policy:

Rain — Prior to a scheduled game, only the WYBSL Fields Director (or other WYBSL designee) has the authority to cancel a game. If timing is possible, the league will announce the day’s field conditions on the Weather Hot Line (614) 523-6220 and Twitter page @WYBSLalerts. However, if conditions are marginal, or if rain occurs after one and one-half hours before game time, teams should go to their field. At that point, and throughout the game, the authority to stop play rests with the umpires and WYBSL staff. Games may be resumed at any time within 30 minutes of stoppage, if fields are playable.

Lightning/Thunder — If the City’s Lightning Prediction System covers a field of play, when there is the possibility of lightning, one continuous horn burst is sounded and all games and practices must stop and fields will be cleared. An all-clear is signaled by three short bursts.

Whether a lightning prediction system is present or not, if lightning is sighted or thunder is heard, umpires will immediately clear the field and dugout; if sighted by one umpire in a multiple diamond location, all fields will be cleared. Games may resume no less than 20 minutes after the last lightning sighting or thunder is heard, if fields are playable.

Playability — If a game is stopped during play, players and fans should move to shelter or cars and wait for a notice from the umpire or WYBSL staff. The final decision regarding playability rests with the umpires (in a multiple diamond location, umpires may consult each other if field conditions are marginal).

In the case of practices, Head Coaches are responsible for following the weather policy. For all Coach-Pitch and Tee-Ball games, Head Coaches are jointly responsible for following league policy.

Make-Ups — If a game cannot be played or completed, the League will reschedule it as soon as possible, with final confirmation by your Umpire Coordinator. Usually, your make-ups for the week will be played on Saturday (at any time) or on Sunday afternoon. And, once scheduled – the make-up game will be played or considered a forfeit.



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