# **CLUB RULES - INCLEMENT WEATHER**

No one likes to hear of rain on soccer days, yet sometimes God has other plans for us than playing soccer. If there is significant rain in the days leading up to a practice or game day, keep on the lookout for communication from your field coordinator. Field coordinators have the final say if there will be soccer each week. Even when the weather is beautiful on a soccer day, the condition of the field may not be suitable for play. FISHE Soccer follows the guidelines of the counties where we play. If we bend/break the guidelines, or playing privileges will be revoked. Field coordinators will communicate change/cancellations no later than 11:30 a.m. on soccer days.

### Good weather

Celebrate! We'll have soccer like normal.

### Poor weather before and during soccer days

Check your email. Most likely your field coordinator will communicate a cancellation the night before. Poor field conditions before and during a soccer day does not normally fit in with our club's "family friendly" policy. Although the synthetic turf fields may still be open and usable for the older players, the younger players will not normally have a place to play. In addition, poor weather is not suitable for our babies. Our club requires close to 100% participation from our volunteers, so if families do not show up because of poor weather, it's impossible to conduct a reasonable practice or game.

### Poor weather before but good weather on soccer days

This is the hardest situation for a field coordinator to call. Field coordinators are free to decide on their own if there will be changes or a cancellation on these days. Often we won't have full use of all the fields, so modified practices are normally scheduled on days like this. Unfortunately, games are normally cancelled on days like this because all games have to be shortened significantly in order to play all games on the synthetic turf fields. This too is the call of the field coordinator, yet past experience has proven modified games are not successful. If it is possible to hold a practice on days like this, the overall season schedule may be modified to accommodate moving the game day to a scheduled practice day.

## Poor weather during time on the field

If thunderstorms or lightning occur during any time while we're on the field, the field coordinator must clear the fields. It is the field coordinator's call as to whether to delay for a specific amount of time after the last thunder or lightning flash, or to cancel altogether.