



Ottawa Carleton Soccer League

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OCSL Extreme Weather Policy

The Ottawa Carleton Soccer League follows Canada Soccer's "Lightning Safety/Severe Weather Policy" which covers what to do in the instance of thunder and lightning. This policy covers extreme weather not mentioned in Canada Soccer's Policy.

Tornados

Should a tornado warning or watch be issued for an area in which a game is to be held in, or in an area in which a team must travel through to attend their game, the affected teams should take cover and follow tornado safety procedures.

The OCSL office will review each situation and the impact it had on the teams playing and determine the outcome of the game if needed.

Extreme Heat

Participating in any physical activity in extreme heat can be deadly. Participants should always take precautions when playing in a game during a heat warning.

The OCSL strongly encourages all teams and referees to take water breaks during games when the temperature is above 25 °C. All participants should keep an eye on those around them for the warning signs of heat illness and if they suspect someone has suffered a heat illness, seek the appropriate medical attention.

Games will be cancelled when the expected temperature (including humidity) at kick-off time is > 40°C. Any decisions on cancelling games will be made by the league and then communicated to team officials by 2:00 pm on the day of the game. Due to the size of our region, there will be no blanket cancellations. A decision will be made for each city and neighborhood of the league based on Environment Canada's estimated temperature at kick off.