

# Smoky River Soccer Club

## Play Cancellation Policy

Soccer play (practice or game) may be cancelled if:

- field conditions will not support safe and effective play. This may include very wet ground, standing water, accumulating snow etc.;
- ambient air conditions exceed acceptable standards for outdoor physical exertion (ASA Weather Policy Standard);
- thunder and lightning presence (ASA Weather Policy Standard);
- any other reason that is deemed necessary to support safe play.
- in advance of game play, only the VP Operations (or in absence, the President) is authorized to cancel play;**
- specific game events may be cancelled after the start of the game by the referee at any time.**

Soccer is not necessarily cancelled due to rain, high wind, heat, etc. Parents always maintain the authority to limit their child's participation at any time if they feel that it is in the best interest of the child. We encourage parents to plan accordingly for inclement weather and provide appropriate clothing/resources for their children. Play may also be temporarily suspended during a game/practice and may resume once conditions are appropriate.

In order to provide sufficient time to communicate a cancellation, we will strive to make a decision whether to cancel or not by 2 pm on the day of scheduled soccer and to post these updates to the club website, fb page etc.

The VP Operations will inform the respective coaches and the Board of any decision to cancel. It is the responsibility of the coaches/team managers to arrange communication with affected parents/players.

