
Charlotte Soccer Academy

CSA Policy - Weather

Lightning Procedures

- **OrthoCarolina Sportsplex:** Everyone should leave the field if there is lightning within a 10-mile radius. When lightning is detected within that radius, an alarm will sound once and will blink a yellow light from the top of the concession building. When lightning is no longer within a 10-mile radius, the alarm will sound 3 times and will stop blinking, alerting everyone that it is safe to return to the field.
- **Harris Teeter Complex at Palisades:** Everyone should leave the field if there is lightning within a 10-mile radius. Nobody is to return to the field until lightning has moved out of the 10-mile radius. Staff should use the My Lightning Tracker, or similar lightning tracker app, to monitor the proximity of the lightning to your location. Once the lightning has passed over the 10-mile radius, everyone can return to the field.
- **CSA North Complex:** Everyone should leave the field if there is lightning within a 10-mile radius. Nobody is to return to the field until lightning has moved out of the 10-mile radius. Staff should use the My Lightning Tracker, or similar lightning tracker app, to monitor the proximity of the lightning to your location. Once the lightning has passed over the 10-mile radius, everyone can return to the field.
- **Parks and Recreation Fields:** Everyone should leave the field if there is lightning within a 10-mile radius. Nobody is to return to the field until lightning has moved out of the 10-mile radius. Staff should use the My Lightning Tracker, or similar lightning tracker app, to monitor the proximity of the lightning to your location. Once the lightning has passed over the 10-mile radius, everyone can return to the field.

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Cold Weather Procedures for Practice

The “feels like” temperature will be used when referring to the temperatures below. The “feels like” temperature considers the air temperature, relative humidity and wind speed.

- **Temperature is 30° or below:** The entire club will cancel practice at ALL locations.
- **Temperature is 31° - 32°:** Age groups 12U and younger will cancel practice. Age groups 13U and older - discretion will be left with the sectional or program director.
- **Rain with temperatures at 31° - 32°:** Practice will be canceled for all age groups. Driving conditions will not be suitable as rain will turn to ice.
- **Temperature is 33° or higher:** Practice will go on as scheduled.
- **Temperature changes during practice:** If the temperature is forecasted to drop to 30° or below during the session, practice should not start. If the temperature is expected to drop in the last 5-10 minutes, the coach can decide whether to end practice early or finish, as long as there is no precipitation.

Members will be notified by their manager, coach or director of changes to or cancellation of the practice.