

Section 8.05 Lightning Policy

- (a) For the safety of the children, NPSL has a Lightning Policy. All NPSL teams will use this policy. Rain, and or cold, is no reason for cancelling a game.**
- (b) All games and practices will be delayed at least 15 minutes after the sound of thunder, and / or a single lightning strike has been seen. All games and practices will be cancelled if there are multiple flashes of lightning occur.**
- (c) After the being made aware of either, thunder or lighting, the players, officials and parents must leave the field of play for shelter.**
- (d) Each Team should have an action plan in place that is known to all players and parents for this occurrence. Shelters are not available at all locations.**

Section 8.06 Hot Weather Policy

- (a) To avoid heat stroke, and to ensure all players stay hydrated, coaches and officials may meet before the start of a game and determine that the game should be played in quarters instead of halves. Teams still, only switching ends at the ending of a half.**
- (b) This additional break is not to take time away from the game.**
- (c) The decision could be to have a hard stop time, or to simply stop the play at a natural stop in play during the game.**