



Casey Cardinia Cricket Association

Extreme Weather Policy 2025-26

Our Commitment

Player safety MUST be the primary element when making any decisions on whether matches should go ahead, not ladder positions, after all, what good is making finals or winning a premiership if somebody is seriously injured or worse in the process.

Resources

The latest weather forecast can be retrieved from:

- 🕒 The Bureau of Meteorology website – <http://www.bom.gov.au>

BL 24. ABANDONMENT OF PLAY

24.1 EXTREME HEAT

Ensuring player safety remains paramount, decisions regarding match viability prioritise safety over ladder positions.

Obtain the latest weather forecast from the Bureau of Meteorology at <http://www.bom.gov.au/>

• JUNIOR MATCHES

- NOTE: This only applies to Weekday evening matches. Saturday morning matches will go ahead as scheduled as it is not expected that extreme temperatures will be reached before 11am when those games are due to finish.
- At 2pm on the day of the match, should the Melbourne forecast temperature for 5pm, as per the hourly forecasts, as released by the Bureau of Meteorology, be 35 degrees or more, then all junior matches for that day shall be abandoned

• SENIOR MATCHES

- Saturday and Sunday Afternoon: Decisions by 11am on game day
- At 11am on match day, should the Melbourne forecast as released by the Bureau of Meteorology be 38 degrees or more, then all senior games for that day shall be abandoned.

24.2 FIRE DANGER RATING • If the Fire Danger Rating as declared by the CFA for the Central District is Extreme with a Fire Danger index of 75 or above for the Central District as per the Bureau of Meteorology, all CCCA Cricket shall be canceled, note this Rating is different to Total Fire Ban Day Ratings.

24.3 LIGHTNING SAFETY

Thunderstorms within 10km are dangerous- the 30/30 rule is used to assess the distance between the storm and play.

Sound travels at a speed of 1km every 3 seconds. When you see lightning count the seconds between the flash of lightning and the sound of thunder.

- Less than 30 seconds? Suspend play, the storm is less than 10km away
- Suspend play and wait to resume play till 30 minutes after the last audible thunder

24.4 BOARD of MANAGEMENT

24.4 Timely communication of match decisions via email, CCCA Facebook Pages, and the website.

24.5 CLUBS

Should a club consider their home ground is unfit for play for any reason; the Club Secretary must contact the Board of Management before 9.00am.

24.6 Games abandoned on the first day of a 2-day match, then the match shall revert to a 1-day game on the 2nd day of the round.

24.7 Games abandoned on the 2nd day of a 2-day game, or in the case of a 1-day game, then the match shall be declared a draw unless a result has already been achieved on a previous day's play, in which case the result shall stand.