



Airdrie Little League Inclement Weather Procedures

Field Conditions

- Field conditions will be evaluated prior to games and practices to ensure player safety and to prevent damage to the field.
- In the event of significant precipitation or other inclement weather that may create unsafe conditions, the home team head coach, in collaboration with the visiting team head coach, will assess the field for potential hazards, including standing water, slippery conditions, or other safety concerns.
- If the coaches deem the field unsafe for play, the game will be cancelled or postponed.
- The determination of whether games will be played or practices will run will be made no less than 90 minutes before the scheduled time to allow coaches, players, and families to adjust their plans accordingly.
- The decision to cancel or postpone games will be communicated to all parties involved as soon as possible via email, text message, or phone call.
- Umpires and the League Scheduler are to be communicated directly via phone call or text message.
- Games that are cancelled or postponed due to field conditions may be rescheduled and communicated to all parties involved.
- Airdrie Little League will work with The City of Airdrie Parks Department, which is responsible for maintaining the field, to ensure that any necessary repairs or improvements are made to prevent unsafe conditions on the field in the future.

Lightning

- Airdrie Little League will follow The “30 for 30” Rule in response to lightning conditions:
- Should thunder be heard within 30 seconds of lightning, there will be a game delay for 30 minutes. Every such occurrence shall restart the 30-minute delay.
- The umpire or Diamond Marshall for Minor, Major and Teenage Divisions can decide when to cancel the game based on how much time will be available based on the rules of time limit and darkness.

Air Quality

- With wildfires increasing in Western Canada, the air quality in many areas of the province have become a concern for outdoor activity. As such Airdrie Little League has decided to implement the following policy based on Alberta Health Services guidelines.

- Please review the following information, with the understanding that if the Air Quality Health Index (AQHI) is '7' or higher at your location, games will be suspended or cancelled while that condition continues. Games should not be started or resumed until the AQHI is '6' or lower.
- More information on air quality advisories can be found at - <https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/news/air.aspx>
- The Air Quality Health Index for your location can be viewed at - www.airquality.alberta.ca/map
- You can also download an AQHI app for your phone at - <https://open.alberta.ca/interact/aqhi-canada>

Cold Weather

- If the temperature (adjusted for wind chill) is at or below 5 degrees Celsius, gameplay should be suspended. Coaches may use their discretion for practices but should encourage all players to dress appropriately for the weather to prevent frostbite and cold exposure, including; jackets, toques and gloves. Coaches shall ensure practice activities and duration are adjusted accordingly.

Document Owner-Safety Officer	Last Updated Date	Locations/Documents to be Updated based on content updates to this document	Notes
	February 2024	All Coach Binders, Airdrie LL website	Updated based on 2023 coach input and board position title changes
	April 2024	Airdrie LL website	Added Cold Weather content