

Weather Policy

The South Australian Spirit of Cricket pledge

We are committed to creating an enduring legacy for South Australian cricket, by ensuring it is played with honor, dignity and respect, and providing a fun and safe environment for all.

South Central Junior Cricket Association has a commitment to the Spirit of Cricket, and all that it stands for applies not only to the Laws of the Game, but is also fundamental when applying our competition bylaws and playing conditions. We encourage all clubs, players and supporters to uphold this commitment to the Spirit of Cricket.

South Central Junior Cricket Association (SCJCA) supports cricket to be played at every opportunity. We recognise that at times there are circumstances for safety that games may not proceed.

Decisions regarding safety of the game will be managed by:

- 1. If the SCJCA official umpire is present, the game will be managed in their hands.
- 2. If no SCJCA official umpire is present, then the two coaches on the day will be the decision maker. Both coaches are required to agree regarding the playing conditions.
 - a. If an agreement cannot be reached, both teams are required to stay for 1 hour post the game commencement time, in an attempt to commence the game.
 - b. At 10am the Games Director can be notified via text that a decision cannot be made and the game has not commenced.

Game formats will be adjusted, in situations where games cannot be played.

- 1. If it is the first day of a two-day game then a one-day game on the second day will be played.
- 2. If it is the second day the game will be declared a draw, however every effort should be made to complete the game.
- 3. If the game is a one-day game the game will be declared a draw.

Wet Weather

For safety if the pitch or ovals are unplayable due to rain, game play will be adjusted as per the above points. At all times common-sense must avail, with the control managed as listed above. Unplayable means:

- Slip risk on pitch
- Water over pitch
- Volumes of water surrounding pitch
- Volumes of water present on the oval

Lightning

If lightning is detected near a game all play must be suspended immediately. Players are to leave the ground until it is safe for them to resume play.



Heat

SCJCA recognises that heat can affect the play throughout the season. We support games being rescheduled by mutual agreement by opposing teams. Please contact the Games Director for the support and management of this.

SCJCA recognises the effects of a potential heat wave could act in determinant to the health and welfare of the participants. SCJCA reserves the right to cancel play if it feels the extended heat periods within the Adelaide metropolitan area has exceeded 38 degrees or greater for 3 or more consecutive days leading up to match day.

Weekend Games - Under 10 and Under 12

• Games will be cancelled if on the night before at 6pm the Adelaide BOM forecast is 38c or higher.

Weekend Games - Under 14 and Under 16

• Games will be cancelled if on the morning of the game at 7am the Adelaide BOM forecast is 38c or higher.

Weeknight Games

 Weeknight games will be cancelled if the day before at 6pm the Adelaide BOM forecast is 38c or higher

SCJCA will endeavour to notify clubs through the SCJCA Facebook page that game play has been adjusted as soon as practicably possible.

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