## **Weather Guidelines**

If poor weather conditions occur during scheduled match times, here are the guidelines for how the tournament will respond to inclement weather:

- During rain, all matches will continue as scheduled unless conditions become unsafe for players
  - o Decision on halting matches will be made by the Tournament Director
- In the event of thunder and/or lightning, the **lightning detection system at Premier Sports Campus will siren**, play will be halted, and everyone must go to their cars in the parking lot. The ThorGuard Lightning Detection System horns will sound the *Red Alert* signal (one 15 second blast of the horns and the strobe light will turn on and remain active) approximately 15-20 minutes prior to lighting striking within 2 miles of the sensor. The sensor is located on the rooftop of Building C, which is the permanent restroom structure near the stadium. During this waiting period, it is mandatory that all guests onsite seek shelter within their ve hicles. Once it is safe to resume activities on the fields, the system will sound the *All Clear* (three-5 second blasts of the horns and the strobe light will shut off.)
- If play is halted after the first half of a match has completed, that game will be ended and the score at the time play was halted will be considered the final score. Teams can leave the complex.
- If play is halted during the first half of a match, the teams are to clear the field and go to their cars in the parking lot.
  - Play will resume at the time the match was halted, and at the same score line as when play was halted
  - o If play resumes after a delay, it is a possibility that only the remainder of the first half of the delayed match will be played, and the half time score line of that match will be considered the final score
  - The Tournament Director on site has the authority to declare any delayed match final, or to abandon any match due to consecutive delays
    - If a match is abandoned, the score line at the time of abandoning will be considered the final score
- If match times begin to run behind, updates will be emailed out to teams through GotSport with timing updates, etc.
- If play must be halted during Saturday, attempts will be made to adjust Sunday's schedule to allow teams to finish Saturday's matches
  - Should this occur, halves may be shortened
- In case of inclement weather or field conditions, games may:
  - Be shortened The tournament Director may reduce the length of matches due to weather conditions before the start of a match; all such matches will be considered official.
  - Be rescheduled (time and location determined by Tournament Director).
  - o Go to "Taking of Kicks from the Penalty Mark". (Time and location determined by Tournament Director)
  - o Be declared 0-0 tie
  - o Be canceled