LIGHTNING POLICY



The City of Cooper City has taken certain precautions to minimize the potential for lightning-related injuries. The *Thor Guard Lightning Prediction System* has been installed to provide protection from lightning disasters for the public.

When the *Thor Guard Lightning Prediction System* sounds (15 second horn blast), the outdoor facility must be cleared of all patrons, who must seek and remain in buildings or vehicles until the All Clear Signal sounds (3 short blasts).

Park patrons need to seek a sheltered area, such as buildings, vehicles, or other fully enclosed structures. Patrons should not seek refuge in or near dugouts, trees, fences, tot lot equipment, light and telephone poles, umbrellas, metal objects, etc.

This Policy shall apply to all programs and facilities operated by the City of Cooper City or its affiliate groups. Coaches who fail to comply with this policy risk losing their team and may be removed from the program and prohibited from using the facilities.

The *Thor Guard Lightning Prediction System* will only be operated during normal park operating hours, 7:30 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.

The **Thor Guard Lightning Prediction System** has been installed at the Cooper City Sports Complex, Bill Lips Sports Complex, and Pool and Tennis Center.