

## **Lightning Safety Procedures**



McLean Little League has the following Policy and Procedure for Lightning Safety.

When arriving at the MLL Park, look at the clock tower. If the lights are off, no storms are expected.

If the Green light is on, it means play ball, but be alert for changing weather conditions.

If the yellow light is on, it means play has been suspended. Stay sheltered in your vehicle in the parking lot and wait for the all clear or park closed signal. MLL's policy is a 30 minute delay from the last lightning sighted or thunder heard.

If the red light is on, the park is closed. No activities can take place at the park. Check the website or hot line for details of late games.

At the sound of definite thunder, or the sighting of lightning, the umpire in chief, board member on duty, or park manager will suspend play. The air horn will sound and the yellow warning light will be lit. ALL players, coaches, managers and spectators <u>MUST</u> take shelter in a hard topped vehicle in the parking lot. You may not mill about in the parking lot or anywhere in the complex. All dugouts MUST be vacated. If one field suspends play, all fields will suspend play. The snack bar will close. Managers have the ultimate responsibility of ensuring that all players reach adequate shelter in a timely manner and remain there until all clear signal is sounded.

After 30 minutes since last sound of thunder, or sighting of lightning, the green light will be relit and the air horn will sound the all clear, reopening the ball fields.

In the event that play cannot be resumed the red light will light closing the park.

Let's play it safe and follow these procedures to protect all our Little League family members!