

## Tournament Procedures -- Inclement Weather

1. Contact tournament director or tournament official if weather threat arises at your location.
2. Apply the 30 –30 Rule (from CJSA guidelines booklet)  
**Lightning – Recognizing the threat.**  
When you see lightning, count the time until you hear thunder. If this time is 30 seconds or less, seek proper shelter. If you can't see the lightning, just hearing the thunder is a good back-up rule. Wait 30 minutes or more after hearing the last thunder before leaving shelter. Referees must protect the safety of all participants by stopping game activities quickly, so that participants and spectators may retire to a safer place before the lightning threat becomes significant. Remember, if you can hear the thunder, you are within reach of lightning.
3. If tournament director has terminated play via radio or cell phone call, you are to sound horn alerting all players and spectators to retreat to proper shelter until further notice is given.
4. All locations are to wait for confirmation from the tournament director before play can resume.
5. Notify team coaches or managers that schedule changes may occur due to inclement weather and all team contact phone numbers giving at registration are to remain open.