

## **EDMOND SOCCER CLUB LIGHTNING SAFETY PLAN**

#### PRIMARY SAFETY OFFICER:

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### WHEN TO SUSPEND ACTIVITIES:

- 1. When instructed to do so by a safety team member.
- 2. When instructed to do so by a game referee or coach.
- 3. When the flash bang metho count is less than 25 seconds. [The Flash-to-Bang (F-B) Method requires no dedicated detector: only counting the time in seconds from seeing a lightning flash, to seeing the associated thunder or bang. For each five seconds, lightning is one mile away. Thus, an F-B of 10 = 2 miles; 15 = 3 miles; 20 = 4 miles; etc.
- 4. When using a lightning app shows lightning within 15 miles of complex as it takes time to clear out.
- 5. Notification on the ESC App to clear fields.

### **NOTICE TO CLEAR FIELDS:**

- 1. Three long blasts from the air horn means clear the fields. Players, parents, and coaches should quickly head to their cars.
- 2. Notification on the ESC APP to clear fields

Every person should become aware of lightning safety practices. Everyone should take responsibility for clearing the fields when lightning is observed nearby or if loud thunderclaps occur in the vicinity of the fields. Safety precautions take precedence over the desire to play soccer.

# **SAFE/NOT SAFE SHELTERS:**

- 1. Safe to shelter Inside of their cars with windows rolled up.
- 2. Not Safe to stand around in parking lot
- 3. Not safe to remain on fields, under trees, near fences, in sheds, under tents.

#### **NOTICE TO RESUME PLAY OR PRACTICE:**

- 1. Wait for 30 minutes after last lightning strike or thunder.
- 2. The "ALL CLEAR" signal to return to play is a single long blast of the horn.
- 3. Notification to resume play through the ESC APP.