

## **Richmond Kickers Weather Policy**

The Richmond Kickers Staff will monitor all weather conditions and determine whether the environment is conducive for a productive training session.

### **Lightning Policy**

- When storms are forecast, parents must use their best judgment when dropping players off. In the event of lightning we want the players to have a safe place to go.
- When thunder or lightning is in the area all coaches, staff, players, siblings and parents must get into a car immediately and remain until instructed otherwise. There is a mandatory 30 minute delay when lightning or thunder occurs.
- Coaches shall not set up until the 30 minute time period is over.
- [http://www.usyouthsoccer.org/news/lightning\\_safety\\_outdoors/](http://www.usyouthsoccer.org/news/lightning_safety_outdoors/)

### **Heat Advisory**

- Whenever there is a heat advisory forecast for the Metro Richmond area – practices will be cancelled until the heat advisory is over. For example, if a heat advisory ends at 6pm, the 5-6:15 pm training session will be cancelled but the 6:15-7:30pm time slot and the 7:30-8:45pm time slot will go ahead as scheduled.

### **Cold Weather**

- The Richmond Kickers will monitor the weather and determine if temperatures (including wind chill) will be appropriate for a productive training session.
- Training sessions may also be canceled due to rain, sleet, snow or other factors that may influence road conditions.

### **VYSA SAFETY GUIDELINES**

<http://www.vysa.com/docs/SoccerguideSep06.pdf>