

WDDOA – Rainout Procedures

Rainout Process – Rained out games only, not intended for Reschedule Requests



NEUTRAL SCHEDULED GAMES

All Prime games and the games in Challenger where the Home Team (listed first) has “Neutral –” in front of the team name in the online GotSport schedule.

1. **On Game Day:**
 - a. Check the **WDDOA Website** Field Status page under the correct Flight: Prime for Prime, Challenger for Challenger. These are the ONLY Official field status pages for WDDOA Neutral games, NOT CLUB WEBSITES.
 - b. WDDOA Neutral Games **will be moved if possible**, the day of, and an email will be sent through the GotSport system to all contacts (coaches and managers) with all the new pertinent information for the game. Contact details in GotSport must be accurate in order to receive this information
 - c. Game Cancellation determination: It is vital to check for field status in the CORRECT place. **WDDOA Neutral games are NOT considered canceled until the official schedule in GotSport notates the status as “Rained Out”**
2. **Canceled / Rained Out Reschedule Process:** Games that **cannot be moved** will receive an **official cancellation notice** email, which will be sent through the GotSport system to all contacts (coaches and managers) with the **LINK** to the “Rainout Reschedule Feedback Form.” Contact details in GotSport must be accurate in order to receive this information. Remember that while we will be mindful of your feedback, we may not be able to provide a conflict-free reschedule as we have to account for field and referee availability.
 - a. Communicate with the other team through the Chat system in GotSport to explore mutually agreeable dates and times for both teams. **ALL** communication between the teams, including which team will submit the Rained-Out Game Reschedule Feedback, **MUST** be documented within the **GotSport Chat system**.
 - b. The designee must complete the Online Form: include all required information as well as 1st, 2nd, and 3rd options for the games. Failure to provide more than 1 option will drastically reduce the chance for desired reschedule.
 - c. Feedback must be submitted via the Online Form a maximum of THREE (3) days after receiving the form link.
 - d. **Failure to submit this form** will result in an **AUTOMATIC** reschedule by WDDOA, which will be final.
 - e. Failure to respond to the opposing team within a reasonable amount of time may result in the game being rescheduled based on single-team feedback. **A SINGLE TEAM MAY SUBMIT A FORM IF THE OPPONENT IS BEING NON-RESPONSIVE.**

HOME / AWAY SCHEDULED GAMES

All Alpha games and the games in Challenger where the Home Team (listed first) does NOT have “Neutral –” in front of the team name in the online GotSport schedule. Rained out games **MUST be rescheduled (not played) within 5 Days** of the original rained out game: this means if a game is rained out on **Saturday**, there should be communication from both teams, an agreement reached, and a rainout reschedule form submitted by the home club field assigner **by the following THURSDAY**.

1. **Field Status:** The Home Club will determine the Field Status/Closure. As soon as this is determined, the Home Team **MUST** contact the Away Team. The HOME team should note this field status/closure in the GotSport chat system.
2. **Rained Out Reschedule Process:**
 - a. While communicating home field closure, explore availability common to both teams for the reschedule, provide several options through the GotSport Chat system of availability for your team, whether you are the home or the away team.
 - b. The home team will reach out to their Home Field Assigner to obtain a new field assignment.
 - c. The Home Field Assigner will provide the new details of the agreement to the WDDOA Office through the Field Assigner Rainout Reschedule Google Doc. This link is only provided to the Field Assigners directly.
 - d. Should this process not be completed by the 5 day deadline, the game will **automatically be rescheduled** by the WDDOA office with the help of the Home Club Field Assigner. Any conflict created by this process will **ONLY** be resolved through the Reschedule Request Process, all fees apply. The only way to prevent this for yourself is to communicate your availability online through the GotSport Chat system and/or reach an agreement in a timely manner.