

# AUCKLAND NETBALL CENTRE INC.

## NETBALL WEATHER CANCELLATION POLICY & PROCEDURES

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Last Reviewed: April 2016

Next Review: April 2017

### PURPOSE - The purpose of this policy is to set out:

- Policy and Procedures for cancelling any competition, tournament or league competition due to the following weather conditions.

### APPLICATION

- This policy governs any Auckland Netball Competition / League or Tournaments

### REVIEW

- The Netball Operations Manager will review this policy on an annual basis.
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### POLICY

#### 1. Halting Play during a competition/league or tournament

In the event of lightning and thunder or hail or tornado, play should be immediately halted and all personnel should move quickly under the cover of the main building verandah or inside.

The decision to halt or delay the games in the case of lightning and thunder or hail or tornado is made by the **Competition Conveners in consultation with the Game Liaison and/or Netball Operations Manager only.**

Once the lightning and thunder or hail or tornado has ceased then play can be resumed.

Should the game have reached half time or more when the game was halted the conveners may take that score as a recognized score of the game if the weather does not improve and the decision is not to send the players back out in court.

Should a Health and Safety Risk assessment warrant temporarily halting or cancelling play for any other circumstances, ANC may in its discretion after conducting a risk assessment, decide to temporarily halt or cancel a competition, league or tournament. This will be in consultation with the Games Liaison or Netball Operations Manager.

#### 2. Cancelling prior to a Competition, Tournament or League

**The decision to cancel netball is only to be made by the Netball Operations Manager in consultation with the CEO or another member of staff delegated by the CEO in her absence.**

Please use the met phone 0900 999 09 or the [www.metservice.com](http://www.metservice.com) for to date weather forecast or online Met service rain forecast hourly predictions.

Rain is not a hazard therefore under our health and safety guidelines play is scheduled as normal. For cancellation, please remember to it is not what the weather is doing now that counts it is what is it **forecast** to do at the scheduled time of the competition/league or tournament.

#### Future Ferns Year 1- 5 and Year 6, 8 competitions

Decision to cancel will be made by **noon** at the latest by Netball Operations Manager / CEO in consultation

#### Saturday Secondary School competition

Decision to cancel will be made by **6.00am** at the latest by Netball Operations Manager / CEO in consultation

### **Saturday Club Competition**

Decision to cancel will be made by **10.00am** at the latest by Netball Operations Manager/ CEO in consultation.

- ▶ Notification will be placed on the Auckland Netball website: [www.aucklandnetball.co.nz](http://www.aucklandnetball.co.nz)
- ▶ Schools emailed by Auckland Netball Office
- ▶ Placed on Auckland Netball phone cancellation line: 09 570 0030 #2 for cancellations
- ▶ Placed on Auckland Netball Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/aucklandnetball>