



SFNL Umpires Weather Policy for training

From this season on, we will be implementing the AFL Victoria Weather policy when it comes to training sessions.

Hot Weather and Adults

On a training day when the forecast maximum ambient temperature at a given location is determined by the Bureau of Meteorology to be **equal to or exceeding 34 Degrees Celsius**, there is a risk of heat related injury to adults and adolescences.

When training sessions are scheduled to be conducted at times when the above conditions may prevail, training will be cancelled and an indoor training session when and where applicable will occur.

A decision to cancel on-field training will be made by the Umpiring Director at least two (2) hours before the event and this will be conveyed to all umpires via social media and email.

Extreme Cold, Heavy Rain, Persistent Rain, Thunderstorms, Hail and Lighting

On a training day, where the possibility of these conditions; extreme cold, heavy rain, persistent rain, thunderstorms, hail and lightning could prevail (separately or in this order);

The SFNL umpiring department will implement certain measures to ensure no one is put at risk of serious health or injury concerns.

When training sessions are scheduled to be conducted at times when the above conditions may prevail, on-field training will be cancelled and an indoor training session when and where applicable will occur.

A decision to cancel on-field training will be made by the Umpiring Director at least two (2) hours before the event and this will be conveyed to all umpires via social media and email.

If a training session is about to start or has already commenced, and the above conditions do occur, training shall cease, and umpires will return or remain in the safety of the pavilion. A decision by the Umpiring department will be made on when umpires are able to return to the oval to resume on-field training.

Prevailing Statement

The SFNL umpiring departments number 1 responsibility is to well-being of the umpire and all measures will be taken to ensure no umpire is put at risk of serious health concerns by participating in a training session during extreme weather or environmental conditions.