



Hot Weather Policy Summer 2023/24



The staff at 'Life. Be in it' Sport for All - Unley & Immanuel are aware of the discomfort hot weather brings while playing at our Stadiums and we take steps to ensure that such discomfort is kept to a minimum.

Players, parents, coaches & team managers can also help by:

- Ensuring that participants are adequately hydrated prior to, during and after activity
- Ascertain whether any participants have any known medical conditions which may be affected by the conditions
- Make use of all available substitute players as appropriate
- Utilise all available Time-Outs

These Policies have been developed taking into consideration the following:

- Sports Medicine Australia guidelines
- SA Health guidelines
- The stadiums have been designed to allow ventilation
- Exit doors can be opened to improve air flow around the courts
- Exhaust fans are installed in the ceiling to assist in the removal of warm air
- Drinking water is freely available in the foyer of each Centre
- The majority of programs are generally not held during the hottest part of the day (1pm-5pm)
- Immanuel College now has air conditioning

In addition to the automatic cancellations & modifications listed in our Junior & Senior Sport, School Holiday and Court Hire Hot Weather Policies, Management reserves the right to cancel or modify the playing times of the competition or program on any given day/night if the playing conditions are deemed to be extreme. This may include venues not being used due to Fire Danger Ratings.



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JUNIOR SPORTS

From 8:30am on the day of weekday competitions, or 4:30pm the day prior to weekend competitions, participants can check our website or Facebook page to check the status of that day's games. www.lifebeinitunley.org or "Life. Be in it.' Sport for All Centres SA" on Facebook

Centre Management will make the decision to modify or cancel games if the forecasted temperature according to the Bureau of Meteorology is:

Weekday Competitions

36°C

If the forecasted temperature is **36°C or higher** as of the 5:20am Bureau of Meteorology forecast on the day of competition all Junior matches will be CANCELLED. Cancellations will be published to our online platforms & communicated to Team Contacts via email by 8:30am.

34°C

If the forecasted temperature is **34°C or higher** as of the 5:20am Bureau of Meteorology forecast on the day of competition all Junior matches scheduled at our outdoor, overflow venues (Cabra College & Trinity Baptist) will be CANCELLED. Cancellations will be published to our online platforms & communicated to Team Contacts via email by 8:30am.

Weekend Competitions

36°C

If the forecasted temperature for the day of competition is **36°C or higher** as of the 4:10pm Bureau of Meteorology forecast on the day before the competition all Junior matches will be CANCELLED. Cancellations will be published to our online platforms & communicated to Team Contacts via email by 4:30pm.

Warm Weather Policy

If the forecasted temperature is 32°C or higher as of the 5:20am Bureau of Meteorology forecast on the day of competition all Junior matches will be modified as below:

32°C

Basketball & Soccer (Futsal): Halves will be shortened to 15 Minutes; half time will be extended to 3 minutes and referees will call a timeout at the halfway point of each half.

Netball: Quarters will be shortened to 7 minutes and quarter & half time breaks will be extended by a minute each.

Volleyball: Referees will call a timeout each set when the first team reaches 13 points.



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SENIOR SPORTS

On the day of the competition participants can check our website or Facebook page to check the status of that day's games.
www.lifebeinitunley.org or "Life. Be in it.' Sport for All Centres SA" on Facebook

Weekday Competitions

Centre Management will make the decision to modify or cancel games if:

40°C

If the forecasted temperature is 40°C or higher as of the 5:20am Bureau of Meteorology Adelaide forecast on the day of competition all Senior matches will be CANCELLED. Cancellations will be published to our online platforms & communicated to Team Contacts via email by 8:30am.

IMMANUEL

If the temperature is below 40°C :

all games will still play due to the Centre being Airconditioned.

UNLEY

If the temperature is below 40°C :

38°C+

If the forecasted temperature is 38°C or higher as of the 5.20 am Bureau of Meteorology Adelaide forecast on the day of competition, all Senior matches **before 7pm will be CANCELLED**. Cancellations will be published to our online platforms & communicated to Team Contacts via email by 8:30am.

At 5pm – If the current observed[^] temperature is 38°C or higher all matches scheduled **later than 7.00 pm will be CANCELLED**. Cancellations will be published to our online platforms & communicated to Team Contacts via email by 5:30pm

Warm Weather Policy

(does not apply to Immanuel Competitions)

34°C

If the current observed temperature is 34°C or higher as of the 4:30pm Weekdays Bureau of Meteorology Adelaide observation on the day of the competition, all Senior matches will be modified as below:

Basketball & Soccer (Futsal): Halves will be shortened to 19 Minutes; half time will be extended to 3 minutes and referees will call a timeout at the halfway point of each half.

Netball: Quarters will be shortened to 9 minutes and quarter & half time breaks will be extended by a minute each.

[^] All observed temperature readings are from the Bureau of Meteorology Adelaide (West Terrace / Ngayirdapira) site.



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SENIOR SPORTS (cont)

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Weekend Competitions

Centre Management will make the decision to modify or cancel games if:

38°C

If the forecasted temperature is 38°C or higher as of the 8:00am Bureau of Meteorology Adelaide forecast on the day of competition all Senior matches will be CANCELLED. Cancellations will be published to our online platforms & communicated to Team Contacts via email by 8:30am.

Warm Weather Policy

34°C

If the current observed temperature is 34°C or higher as of the 2:00pm Bureau of Meteorology Adelaide observation on the day of the competition, all Senior matches will be modified as below:

Basketball & Soccer (Futsal): Halves will be shortened to 19 Minutes; half time will be extended to 3 minutes and referees will call a timeout at the halfway point of each half.

Netball: Quarters will be shortened to 9 minutes and quarter & half time breaks will be extended by a minute each.

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CENTRE CLOSURES

If the forecasted temperature is 40°C or higher as of the 5:20am Bureau of Meteorology Adelaide forecast on the day in question, our centres will be CLOSED. Closures will be published to our online platforms & communicated via email by 8:30am.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

Holiday Clinics

A decision will be made by Management at 12:00pm the day before any scheduled holiday program. If the predicted temperature is 38°C or higher as of the Bureau of Meteorology Adelaide forecast for the day of the program, all School Holiday Clinics will be CANCELLED. Cancellations will be communicated to participants by 1:00pm the day prior to the session.

COURT HIRES

Casual Hires

If the forecasted temperature is 38°C or higher as of the 5:20am Bureau of Meteorology Adelaide forecast on the day of the hire all casual court hires will be CANCELLED. Cancellations will be communicated to booking contact by 12:00pm.

Long Term/Contract Hires

Hirers are expected to provide Centre Management with their Group/Association/Club's Hot Weather Policy. It is the responsibility of the booking contact to communicate plans to continue with or cancel bookings by 12:00pm the day prior to the booking.