## Cutters Soccer Club Severe Weather Plan

In the event that a match must be stopped due to severe weather (lightning, severe thunderstorm warning, tornado warning, extreme heat or extreme cold), the coach and/or team manager will be notified by one or all of the following methods:

- (a) Tournament official
- (b) Tournament referee
- (c) Air horn or police siren
- (d) Text Alerts

Upon notification of severe weather by one of the foregoing methods, everyone at the soccer complex should move immediately to their cars or other place of safety with a sense of urgency. Field Marshals and uniformed security personnel will facilitate the movement of teams and spectators from the fields to places of safety. Field Marshals and uniformed security personnel shall assist anyone who is having difficulty in moving quickly to shelter due to physical disability or request assistance. Teams should not leave the site unless instructed by tournament officials.

LIGHTNING: In the event of lightning, thirty (30) minutes must elapse after the last lightning strike before matches may resume.

SEVERE THUNDERSTORM WARNING: In the event of a severe thunderstorm warning, all fields will be cleared until the local National Weather Service lifts the warning.

TORNADO WARNING: In the event of a tornado warning, all fields will be cleared until the local National Weather Service lifts the warning.

EXTREME HEAT: In the event of extreme heat where the combination of air temperature (above 82°F) and relative humidity (above 40%) yields a heat index of 91°F and above, two (2) minute water breaks during each half will be required. If the projected air temperature or heat index at a match's start time is 100°F or above, the tournament host may cancel or delay games and any other outdoor activities. See the Heat Index Table below. A tournament official will notify all impacted teams and referees.

## Heat Index Table

## Relative Humidity (RH)

RH→	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	100
Temp√													
80													
82											<mark>91</mark>	<mark>93</mark>	<mark>95</mark>
84								<mark>92</mark>	<mark>94</mark>	<mark>96</mark>	98	100	103
86					<mark>91</mark>	<mark>93</mark>	<mark>95</mark>	97	100	102			
88			<mark>91</mark>	<mark>93</mark>	95	98	100						
90	<mark>91</mark>	<mark>93</mark>	95	97									
92	94	96	99	101									
94	97	100	103										
96	101												
98													
100													

EXTREME COLD: In the event of extreme cold (i.e. the local air temperature or wind-chill factor dips to 32°F and below within two (2) hours prior to a match's start time), the tournament host may cancel or delay matches and any other outdoor activities. See Wind Chill Table below. A tournament official will notify all impacted teams and referees. Rain and snow may also impact decisions to cancel or delay matches.

Wind Chill Table

Wind Speed (mph)	Temperature (°F)																
Calm	35	30	25	20	15	10	5	0	-5	-10	-15	-20	-25	-30	-35		
5	31	25	19	13	7	1	-5	-11	-16	-22	-28	-34	-40	-46	-52		
10	27	21	15	9	3	-4	-10	-16	-22	-28	-35	-41	-47	-53	-59		
15	25	19	13	6	0	-7	-13	-19	-26	-32	-39	-45	-51	-58	-64		
20	24	17	11	4	-2	-9	-15	-22	-29	-35	-42	-48	-55	-61	-68		
25	23	16	9	3	-4	-11	-17	-24	-31	-37	-44	-51	-58	-64	-71		
30	22	15	8	1	-5	-12	-19	-26	-33	-39	-46	-53	-60	-67	-73		
35	21	14	7	0	-7	-14	-21	-27	-34	-41	-48	-55	-62	-69	-76		
40	20	13	6	-1	-8	-15	-22	-29	-36	-43	-50	-57	-64	-71	-78		
45	19	12	5	-2	-9	-16	-23	-30	-37	-44	-51	-58	-65	-72	-79		
50	19	12	4	-3	-10	-17	-24	-31	-38	-45	-52	-60	-67	-74	-81		
55	18	11	4	-3	-11	-18	-25	-32	-39	-46	-54	-61	-68	-75	-82		
60	17	10	3	-4	-11	-19	-26	-33	-40	-48	-55	-62	-69	-76	-84		
Frostbite occurs in:						30 minutes				10 minutes				5 minutes			

RESUMPTION OF MATCHES: Two short blasts on the air horn or police siren will sound again or a tournament official will announce when everything is "all clear." Continuation of game play will resume only when severe weather has dissipated and that the fields have been inspected and cleared for play. Resumption of matches will be permitted with a decision to continue field play by the Tournament Director. Players and coaches should return to their fields promptly.

Time permitting, games will be played to (a) completion or (b) completion of first half and score recorded. If the event is impacted by severe weather and impending darkness, the Tournament Staff will have the authority to relocate, reschedule, cancel or change the duration of any game.

If semi-final or championship games cannot be played due to weather, final positions will be determined by the point system with ties resolved as stated in **Qualifications for Single Elimination Games**, page 3 of Tournament Rules.

If a coach and/or team manager has a question regarding a severe weather situation, only one team representative should inquire at the tournament headquarters tent. If any member of a team or group

violates this Severe Weather Plan, that team may be told to leave the soccer complex and all remaining/upcoming matches involving the team will be deemed forfeited. No refund will be given. The tournament host will use one or more of these means to communicate with teams and spectators:

- (a) Email or text message via GotSoccer
- (b) Phone call or text message from tournament official to team contact
- (c) Website update
- (d) Twitter post.

Weather will be monitored through use of an onsite weather radio and onsite lightning detector.

Security Plan Tournament officials will wear identifying apparel and have two-way radios. There will be one (1) field marshal per field and each will have a two-way radio. Uniformed security personnel will be onsite from during tournament hours. Up to four (4) but no less than one trainer will be onsite during tournament hours.