Chatham Youth Soccer Heat/Humidex Policy for Youth Teams

CYSA uses the Environment Canada Predicted Humidex Reading when deciding if soccer will be cancelled due to high temperatures.

U4 to U12 On the day of the program, recreational or representative practice or recreational game, if the temperature is between 30-35°C and the humidex is below 40°C, then there is an enforced 2 min. water break after each period and the time of the periods are reduced from 10 min. to 8 min. However if the temperature is greater than 35°C. and the humidex is predicted to be equal to or greater than 40°C, three hours prior your event, it will be cancelled. There will be no re-scheduling of programs, practices or games.

U13 to U17 On the day of your program, recreational or representative practice or recreational game, if the temperature is between 30-35°C and the humidex is below 40°C, then there is an enforced 2 min. water breaks during each half. However, if the humidex is predicted to be equal to or greater than 45°C three hours prior your event, the game will be cancelled. There will be no re-scheduling of any practices. Time permitting, games will be rescheduled.

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Adult Leagues: If the temperature is between 30-38°C and the humidex is below 40°C, coaches and referees should get together before the game begins and agree to play 4 shortened quarters instead of 2 halves. This will allow for extra water breaks. If the temperature is above 38°C and the humidex is predicted to be greater than 45 three hours before the game, the game will be cancelled.

Games can be rescheduled.

CYSA reserves the right to modify this policy for its Festivals and Tournaments. Notification of Program Cancellation due to High Humidex will be emailed to participants regarding the cancellation three hours prior to the event. When in doubt, check your email (including Spam) and/or the Environment Canada website. At any time, if you have any concerns regarding the weather conditions, please do what you feel is best for your child.

If the games have not been cancelled 3 hours prior to kick-off:

The decision to cancel games is made by the convenors of the Respective Divisions.

The decision to cancel practices is made by the Team Coach.