



COOPERSTOWN ALL STAR VILLAGE LIGHTNING POLICY

DETECTION CRITERIA:

Games shall be suspended immediately if lightning is detected within a 10-mile radius of the venue.

LIGHTNING DETECTION SYSTEM:

The complex uses Perry Weather detection system capable of accurately measuring the distance of lightning strikes.

IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION:

Upon detection of lightning within the 10-mile radius, the game/games shall be suspended immediately, and all players are to return to their bunkhouses and remain inside. **DO NOT USE THE POOL.** Umpires will return to their Bunkhouses. Spectators will be asked to return to the safety of their cars, the Clubhouse or Cooperstown's Stores. The Bull Pen and the outdoor seating areas of the Upper Deck will be closed until Baseball Operations gives the "All Clear" via LeagueApps.

30-MINUTE DELAY:

Following the suspension, there will be a mandatory 30-minute delay before the game/games can be resumed. During this time, the complex must be cleared, and individuals should remain in sheltered areas.

RESUMPTION CRITERIA:

The game may resume only after the 30-minute delay if no lightning is detected within the 10-mile radius during this period. If additional lightning is detected, the delay shall be extended in 30-minute increments.

COMMUNICATION PROTOCOL:

Umpires, teams, and spectators shall be informed promptly about the suspension and the expected resumption time. Regular updates regarding the weather conditions shall be provided during the delay via the LeagueApps communication program.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS:

The safety of all individuals involved in the game is of utmost importance. No one should be allowed to remain in open areas during lightning activity, and evacuation procedures should be clearly communicated.

RESPONSIBILITY OF OFFICIALS:

Cooperstown All-Star Village staff are responsible for monitoring the lightning detection system, making timely decisions regarding game/games suspension, and ensuring the safety of all individuals within the venue.

REVIEW AND ADJUSTMENTS:

The lightning policy will be periodically reviewed and adjusted as necessary to incorporate advances in lightning detection technology and safety protocols.

COMPLIANCE:

All teams, organizers, and complex operators must comply with this lightning policy. Failure to adhere to the policy may result in game penalties, fines, or removal from the Cooperstown All Star Village Campus.