

RDCA Junior HOT WEATHER POLICY

Games played in the morning

If the forecast the day before is forecasted to exceed 36 degrees Celsius, any morning matches will commence at 8.00am and conclude not later than 11.30am (irrespective of any other rule allowing for extension of playing times). Team Managers will ensure that the appropriate drinks breaks are taken.

Games played in the evening

If the forecast on the day of play at 2pm is forecasted to exceed 38 degrees at 5pm at Scoresby, games scheduled that night will be cancelled.

During Play

If the temperature exceeds 36 degrees, games must not start or if in progress players must leave the field.

Temperature is to be than monitored every 15 minutes. Play may commence or resume if the temperature is less than 36 degrees.

Play can be abandoned for the day, at any time if the Team Managers agree that the temperature is unlikely to fall. In the event of a dispute, the matter is to be referred to the Junior Executive for a ruling.

Reference point for local temperature

Bureau of Meteorology smartphone app selecting current location.

The RDCA Junior Committee reserves the right to abandon any match when

- (a) If the forecast temperature for Scoresby, on any given day of a match, is 40 degrees Celsius or higher, or
- (b) The Junior Executive, advises Junior Coordinators on match day that a temperature of 36 degrees has been reached and the temperature is unlikely to fall.
- (c) If the Fire Danger rating (as specified by the CFA) for any area where a RDCA match, that is fixtured, is Extreme or above.