



## **Cancellation & Weather Policy**

### **Practice Cancellations**

#### Outdoor Practice Cancellations

Due to the frequency of hit or miss showers and the large size of Botetourt County, the Parks & Recreation Department will only cancel practice in the event weather has deemed fields unplayable or unsafe. Please call the cancellation line to determine if weather conditions warrant such a cancellation. Decisions to cancel practices due to rain are made by each head coach. Please contact your coach for this information.

#### Indoor Practice Cancellations

It is the policy of Botetourt County to cancel youth sports activities when Botetourt County Public Schools close early or are closed due to inclement weather. Please call the cancellation line to determine if weather conditions warrant such a cancellation.

### **Game Cancellations**

#### Outdoor Game Cancellations

Due to the frequency of hit or miss showers and the large size of Botetourt County, the Parks & Recreation Department will only cancel games in the event weather has deemed fields unplayable or unsafe. Please call the cancellation line to determine if weather conditions warrant such a cancellation.

#### Indoor Game Cancellations

It is the policy of Botetourt County to cancel youth sports activities when Botetourt County Public Schools shut down early or are closed due to inclement weather. Please call the cancellation line to determine if weather conditions warrant such a cancellation.

### Cancellation Hotline Phone Numbers

For up-to-date cancellations, please contact the locality in which your game is being played.

- Botetourt County Hosted Games 540-992-0012
- Roanoke County Hosted Games 540-387-6455 Ext. 6
- Franklin County Hosted Games 540-483-9293 Ext. 1
- Salem City Hosted Games 540-966-6900
- Roanoke City Hosted Games 540-853-1196

### **Inclement Weather**

A. Inclement Weather Prior to Game or Practice - When possible, cancellations will be made on Botetourt County's Cancellation Line (**540-992-0012**) for events hosted at Botetourt County facilities. For games in other jurisdictions, please check the cancellation line of the host organization.

B. In the event adverse weather conditions develop while an activity is in progress and a representative from Botetourt County Parks & Recreation is not present, it is the responsibility of the coach or the scheduled official to determine whether conditions that exist will endanger the safety of the participants and whether the activity will have a serious adverse effect on field conditions.

C. Lightning Policy - If thunder is heard, be aware and keep a look out for lightning. If lightning is seen, all players and spectators shall be moved to a sheltered area or to their cars. Wait at least **30** minutes from the last streak of lightning to resume play or practice.

D. Extreme Heat Policy

1. Actual Temperature 100\* or above - All games and practices cancelled.
2. Heat Index of 100\* or above - All games cancelled, and practices are restricted to no uniform equipment i.e., tackle football pads, baseball/softball catchers gear