



Orioles Opener Inclement Weather Policy

- A Tournament Director will be at each location and will contact all coaches. The Director determines how to proceed during inclement weather. Updates will be posted on the Oriole Opener Tourney Page.
- Umpires will suspend games at the first sign of lightning or hazardous weather (extreme wind or heavy rain). Game details (inning, outs, count, base runners) will be recorded. Refer to tournament rules for official game length.
- In case of lightning, play is suspended for at least 30 minutes. The 30-minute clock resets with each new lightning sighting. During extreme weather, follow posted guidance for shelter locations.
- *No lightning safety plan guarantees safety. Individuals are responsible for monitoring conditions and acting appropriately. Use good judgment and prioritize safety.*
- Teams must stay near the field and not assume games are canceled. Play will resume as soon as possible. If the delay exceeds 30 minutes, a 5-minute warm-up is allowed. Otherwise, only brief warm-ups are permitted.
- If fields are affected by rain, the tournament director will determine when play resumes. Games may be moved later in the day or early morning. Check the tournament website for updates. Teams should be ready to play at scheduled times, with possibly only 5 minutes to warm up.
- St. Louis Park Fastpitch may modify tournament format to complete play (e.g., single elimination, adjusted seeding, shortened games).
- In cases of overnight or early morning rain, teams must still report to the fields unless unsafe. Teams should be ready to play as soon as fields are playable.

Refund Policy:

- No games played: refund minus \$25 administrative fee
- One game completed: 50% refund
- Two or more official games played or available: no refund
- Questions: email SLPTournament@slpfastpitch.org