

U6-U12 WEATHER POLICY

If you have a game scheduled, you should arrive at your game unless you have been notified via Strikers Rained Out. If a game being played is cancelled, it is the responsibility of parents and players to leave the field and seek shelter immediately. A game will either be cancelled or played, there will be NO delays. Coaches **cannot** cancel games. Games can be cancelled due to weather by the Strikers Weather Committee using radar and forecasting tools or by the referee at the field. **If the earlier game(s) are cancelled, you must still be at the field for the start of the later game(s) to determine if the game will be played.** Cancellations will be posted on Rained Out and the Facebook page. If there is no post, the game is still scheduled to be played. U6 coaches may **confer at the field** to cancel a game for weather related reasons, because there are no referees.

Weather conditions to be aware of:

- Extreme Heat: When the temperature is above 90 degrees AND the heat index is at a danger level, 5:30 or earlier games will be cancelled. Later games will have longer and/or more frequent breaks. Please bring extra fluids to extreme heat games.
- Extreme Cold: When the temperature drops below 30 degrees AND the wind chill index is at a temperature below zero degrees the game will be cancelled.
- Lightning/Thunder: In the event of a storm, play must be stopped and cancelled.
 - Decision by the referee: Made using the following criteria as a minimum:
 - o Sighting of a lightning flash or the hearing of the associated thunder shall be reason to stop and cancel a game.
 - o Play will be stopped and shall not be resumed.
- Visibility: When standing at one goal, if you can't see the other goal; the game will be suspended by the referee at the field.
- Wind: When the ball is placed on level ground and it does not remain stationary, the game may be suspended by the referee at the field.
- Field Conditions: When a field is in poor or dangerous playing condition, games may be suspended or relocated by Bay-Lakes, the district, or the referee at the field.

If a parent requests that their child leave the game because they are uncomfortable with the playing conditions, the coach must honor the request.

Sign-up for Strikers RainedOut (U6-U12)

RainedOut will be the primary form of communication in the event of game cancellations and severe weather for games cancelled **prior to start times**. Game determinations will most often take place **at the field**.

To sign-up:

1. Go to rainedout.com
2. Search for "Green Bay Strikers"
3. Enter your phone number or email and accept user agreements.
4. Enter the validation code that RainedOut sends to your phone
5. **Done!** No need to enter a "Group Keyword"