## **BISA WEATHER POLICY**

When the warning is sounded, suspend all games and seek shelter immediately until the all-clear signal is heard.

The warning system is located on the back side of the recreational system. The horn will sound a 15 second blast. The strobe light will flash and remain flashing until safe conditions return. When the system sounds, all persons should seek shelter in their vehicles in the parking lot.

When conditions are safe to resume play, the horn will sound 3 (three) 5 (five) second blasts and the strobe light stops flashing.

## Lightning is serious and one should:

Stay away from metal including fencing, bleachers, flagpoles, sheds, and goals.

Avoid high places, open areas, overhead wires and power lines, telephones and cellular phones, radios, isolated trees, picnic shelters, golf carts, or any type of standing water.

If you are outside, the interior of a car, truck, or bus with a metal roof and the windows closed is relatively safe from lightning. To be safe, do not touch the metal on the inside of the vehicle.

If you are outdoors with no shelter available, find a low spot away from trees, bleachers, fences, and other metal structures. Make sure the area is not prone to flooding.

If you feel your hair suddenly stand on end, it means you may be a lightning target. Crouch low on the balls of your feet and try not to touch the ground with your knees or hands.

Anyone not following these guidelines when the warning is activated and remains outdoors or in an inappropriate area or shelter will do so at their own risk.

If spectators/players return to the sports fields prior to the all-clear signal from, they do so at their own risk.

Once the all-clear signal sounds, activities can resume. Once the players are back to the field and the referees are present the game will resume where it was halted.

In the case of a prolonged suspension of play, the association may update on the web site that there has been a delay, but games are still being played. Or the association may close the complex due to continued weather threats. In the case of game suspensions and that the game has started the second half, the game may be declared played and the score at the time of the suspension will be declared the score of the game or the game may be resumed. This determination is made by the board member on duty.