
SOUTH AUSTRALIAN BASEBALL LEAGUE INC.



BASEBALL
SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Heat Policy

Day Games

HEAT POLICY – Forecast Temperature 37 – 39 degrees

If the forecast temperature at 7 am on the morning of competition is 37, 38 or 39 degrees as broadcast on any Radio Station (AM or FM) or as per the Australian Bureau of Meteorology Adelaide Forecast found at: <http://www.bom.gov.au/?ref=hdr> then the following game limitations shall apply to all senior games.

DIVISION 1 – Single Game:

7 innings or 120 minutes. No new innings to start after 120 minutes. Mercy Rule to apply – 10 runs in front after 5 innings.

DIVISION 1 – Double Header:

Both games to be 7 innings or 120 minutes. No new innings to start after 120 minutes. Mercy Rule to apply
– 10 runs in front after 5 innings.

DIVISION 2 -4:

7 innings or 90 minutes. Mercy Rule to apply – 10 runs in front after 5 innings.

DIVISION 5 -7:

7 innings or 90 minutes. Mercy Rule to apply – 7 runs per inning

MASTERS and WOMEN'S:

5 innings or 90 minutes. Mercy Rule to apply – 10 runs in front after 75 minutes.

JUNIORS:

Cancelled – Cancelled games may be rescheduled.

HEAT POLICY – Forecast Temperature 40 degrees or above

If the forecast temperature at 7 am on the morning of competition is 40 degrees or above as broadcast on any Radio Station (AM or FM) or as per the Australian Bureau of Meteorology Adelaide Forecast found at: <http://www.bom.gov.au/?ref=hdr> then;

DIVISION 1 – Single Game:

Game time moved to 11:00am 7 innings or 120 minutes. No new innings to start after 120 minutes. Mercy Rule to apply – 10 runs in front after 5 innings.

DIVISION 1 – Double Header:

Game 1 -Game time moved to 11:00am 7 innings or 120 minutes. No new innings to start after 120 minutes. Mercy Rule to apply – 10 runs in front after 5 innings.

Game 2 -Cancelled – to be rescheduled as a twilight 7 innings or 120 minutes. No new innings to start after 120 minutes. Mercy Rule to apply – 10 runs in front after 5 innings.

SENIOR DIVISION 2 and below:

Cancelled – Cancelled games will not be replayed.

MASTERS and WOMEN'S:

Cancelled – Cancelled games will not be replayed.

JUNIORS:

Cancelled – Cancelled games may be rescheduled. .

Night Games/Twilight/Training/Teeball

HEAT POLICY – Forecast Temperature 37 – 39 degrees

If the actual temperature at 4pm in the afternoon of competition is 37, 38 or 39 degrees as per the Australian Bureau of Meteorology Adelaide Forecast found at: <http://www.bom.gov.au/?ref=hdr>, Baseball SA's Operations Manager, or his nominee, will determine if the Heat Policy will be invoked and the following game limitations shall apply. Baseball SA will communicate the ruling.

DIVISION 1 – Twilight/Night Game:

7 innings or 120 minutes. No new innings to start after 120 minutes. Mercy Rule to apply – 10 runs in front after 5 innings.

DIVISION 2 -4:

7 innings or 90 minutes. Mercy Rule to apply – 10 runs in front after 5 innings.

DIVISION 5 -7:

7 innings or 90 minutes. Mercy Rule to apply – 7 runs per inning

MASTERS and WOMEN'S:

5 innings or 90 minutes. Mercy Rule to apply – 10 runs in front after 75 minutes.

JUNIORS:

Cancelled – Cancelled games may be rescheduled.

TEEBALL:

Cancelled – Cancelled games may be rescheduled

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DIVISION 1 – Twilight/Night Game:

7 innings or 120 minutes. No new innings to start after 120 minutes. Mercy Rule to apply – 10 runs in front after 5 innings.

DIVISION 2 and below:

Cancelled – Cancelled games may be rescheduled.

MASTERS and WOMEN'S:

Cancelled – Cancelled games may be rescheduled

JUNIORS:

Cancelled – Cancelled games may be rescheduled.

TEEBALL:

Cancelled – Cancelled games may be rescheduled.

NOTES

- 8PM Games at West Beach, Norwood Oval or other venues with lights, WILL NOT be subject to this Heat Policy

**For all games modified by the Heat Rule courtesy runners may be used for catchers. **

Junior Umpire/Official:

No Junior Umpire (17 years of age and under) may officiate in any game, both senior or junior, if the forecast temperature at 7am the morning of competition is 37 degrees as stated on radio (AM or FM) or as per the Australian Bureau of Meteorology Adelaide Forecast found at:

<http://www.bom.gov.au/?ref=hdr>

Juniors playing Senior Baseball:

A Child/Junior (under age player) cannot participate in Senior Baseball when the forecast temperature is 37 degrees or above as stated on radio (AM or FM) or as per the Australian Bureau of Meteorology Adelaide Forecast found at: <http://www.bom.gov.au/sa/forecasts/adelaide.shtml> at 7am the morning of play without parental consent obtained by the club.

During the hot weather every care must be taken to look after the Players, Coaches, Managers and Team Officials. Make sure that adequate water is available. Shade is mandatory and must be provided at all diamonds. Caps/hats must be worn. Sunscreen is also encouraged to be supplied and applied.

** Don Rice League will be regarded as a Junior Competition**

** Rescheduling of games will be at the discretion of BSA operations manager**

Baseball SA Umpires/Officials – Heat Rule – Additional Requirements – 37 degrees and above

- No Umpire will work 2 games behind the plate
- Minimum 2 minute break in between each half innings
- If any half innings extends beyond 20 minutes, there will be a mandatory 4 minute break
- **Home Team to provide a shade structure for the umpires.**
- In the event of a club base umpire appointed to a Division 1 Game, the BUASA appointed umpire can decide to umpire the game by himself from behind the pitcher, if he so desires.

If at any time, the plate umpire believes it is unsafe to play due to extreme heat conditions, then they have the ability to suspend or cancel the game – refer to SABL Local Rules Playing Conditions.