

Rain Outs and Rain Delays

Rain Outs

A decision needs to be made between both coaches on calling a game by no later than 5:20 pm once done so than these are the steps to taken;

1. Notify John Bresler the Umpire Coordinator at (780 908-3255) to cancel the umpires.
2. If the coaches know who their umpire will be for that evening and call him or her direct, than let the Umpire Coordinator know you have done so.
3. Than inform your team of the cancellation.
4. Inform your Divisional Coordinator of the cancellation.
5. Try your best to reschedule the game and inform your Coordinator of when and where the game is to be played if done so.

It is therefore important that all coaches have an up to date schedule with St Albert and Morinville coaches, and rainout numbers for both cities. The latest schedule update is on the SAMBA website with Morinville coaches.

Rain Delays

A rain delay will be in effect if the above Rain Out protocol was not implemented and a decision was not made in time to cancel the umpires. The only exception will be if lightening is present, than the all games shall be cancelled.

1. No cancellation of the game should occur prior to 6:50 pm if the umpires are present and it looks like a change in weather is possible i.e. there are breaks in the sky.
2. The Home Team is responsible for set up, but everyone should help to speed setting up the infield.
3. Both teams will go into a rain delay mode to see if there may be a change in weather.
4. No delay should exceed a 7 pm start time.

It should not be considered inconvenient to show up at your diamond and meet with the umpire and your team. Ensure the umpires have a way of staying dry; help them out if not please.

Reasons for a Rain Delay

1. If the umpires have not been cancelled then we are obligated to pay them just to show up.
2. As the season progresses it will become very difficult to schedule umpires due to tournaments being played in St Albert and the surrounding region.
3. The kids want to play, and the reality of all teams rescheduling all missed games becomes more difficult as the season progresses and more games or cancelled due to weather.