

# **Sports Medicine – Lightning**

## **Summary**

CSU Athletics policy on lightning conditions and their impact on athletic events. .

## **Purpose**

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for dealing with lightning, lightning related injuries, and to explain how lightning injuries occur.

## **Policy**

Lightning is the most consistent and significant weather hazard that may affect intercollegiate athletics. This is in part due to the prevalence of thunderstorms in the afternoon to early evening in the late spring and early fall. While the probability of being struck by lightning is extremely low, the odds are significantly greater when a storm is in the area and the proper safety guideline and precautions are not followed. The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for dealing with lightning, lightning related injuries, and to explain how lightning injuries occur.

## **Related USG Policy**

N/A

## **Last Update**

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## **Responsible Authority**

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