

## Waikato Competitions Cancellation Information

HCA/WVCA would like to see cricket played as much as possible throughout the season and played safely. All playing conditions include how to reduce overs for weather affected matches.

Blanket cancellations can occur if council facilities are closed, or if Met Service issue weather warnings on travel or expected bad weather. If a blanket cancellation is to occur across competitions, information will be communicated according to the below times:

Grade	Time of Decision
Mid-Week Grades	Decision by 2pm on the day of the game
Saturday Morning Grades	Decision by 8am on Saturday morning
Saturday Afternoon Grades	Decision by 10:30am on Saturday morning

Cancellations will be communicated as below:

- Email to team contact provided to ND Competitions at the start of the competitions.
- Facebook posts on relevant DA page
  - [HCA Facebook Page](#)
  - [WVCA Facebook](#)

Cancellations will be posted on the Facebook page/s by 8.00am. No post, no cancellation and from 8.00am onwards teams will be responsible by communicating with their opposition.

**If there has been no blanket cancellation, the decision will sit with the team captains/managers on the fixture.**

### Team Considerations & Responsibilities When Abandoning

- Is it safe to start the game on time?
- Are the conditions likely to improve during the morning for a reduced length of game?
- *Senior teams please note: If official umpires have been appointed to fixtures, the umpires will make all decisions on play for the day/fixture.*

If the decision is to abandon the game, the home teams are responsible for the following:

- Communication of decision to the home team and opposition team, with confirmation from the opposition team that the decision has been received.
- Update PlayHQ with the match result as “abandoned” immediately.

### Team Coach/Manager/Coach Information

If teams are unsure if the game is on, please contact the opposition team directly. If a mutual agreement cannot be made, the home team has final say on pitch condition and safety for play to happen. Otherwise, travel to the fixture as planned to avoid a default result.

*If contact cannot be made with an opposition team, please contact ND ([competitions@ndca.co.nz](mailto:competitions@ndca.co.nz) or 027 222 7893). ND will endeavour to find an alternative contact for the team.*