



INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

Hays Swim Club practices rain or shine, regardless of outside air temperature.

Spring, Summer, and Fall

Typically, the only weather related problem during the spring, summer and fall months is thunderstorms. If there is a thunderstorm in the immediate area and the coaches or lifeguards deem the situation unsafe, we will not put swimmers in the water. However, such storms are usually localized and pass over very quickly. It could be raining hard with lightning at your house and be perfectly dry and safe at the McNaughton Pool. Consequently we ask swimmers to always plan on coming to practice. Even if the weather is unsafe at the start of practice, the storm will usually pass in time for us to swim at least part of the allotted time. Given the specific allotted training periods we have, we want to take advantage of every opportunity that we have to train.

Winter

Weather problems in the winter months are more varied and may include thunderstorms, extreme cold, and ice and snow. If there is a snow storm or ice storm in the immediate area and the coaches deem the situation not safe, we will not have practice. Generally, we will follow school closings. If you feel it not safe to travel to a practice and the practice has not been cancelled, please stay home. Swimmers should always plan to come to practice regardless of the outside air temperature. We will practice at the outdoor McNaughton Pool throughout the winter months so long as the water temperature can be maintained above 70° F. Practices will be moved to an indoor facility when this cannot be achieved.

Note:

We will not put any swimmers in harm's way. However, coaches and parents may get wet and/or cold from time to time.

Notification

Sometimes it may be necessary to cancel practice with impending weather arriving. Coaches will make every attempt to notify swimmers and parents of cancelled practice sessions 30 minutes prior to practice start time. Due to the sudden nature of weather related problems this is not always possible. Notice of practice cancellation will be posted on the home page of the team website and swimmers will be notified by telephone. Should practice location be moved from the McNaughton Pool due to cold water temperature, swimmers will be notified by e-mail.