



## **ST LUCIA BOWLING CLUB INC EXTREME WEATHER POLICY**

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### **GENERAL**

Players are to be encouraged to interrupt or suspend play when temperatures become excessive.

An individual member can decide to stop playing any time s/he feels uncomfortable due to heat or humidity.

### **EXTREME TEMPERATURE**

All competitors and spectator are encouraged to wear head protection

The controlling body has the discretion to suspend or discontinue play at any time.

When the temperature reaches 35°C in the shade, players must be notified of the reading and the club's recommendation to suspend play. The decision to do so, however, is up to individual players and skips. Should a member of a team wish to withdraw from the game, s/he shall be free to do so without penalty.

In Club competition, all play is to be suspended at this temperature.

### **HEAT STRESS/HEAT EXHAUSTION**

In the event of a player being overcome by heat stress or exhaustion, there should be no delay in seeking emergency assistance and dialling 000.

An oxygen bottle with face mask is available in the cupboard inside the double doors of the club house, together with a manual pump for CPR purposes.

A couch in the Ladies room is available should a player need to rest or it be necessary to treat a member for heat exhaustion, sudden illness, or injury.

### **LIGHTNING 30/30 RULE**

Play must cease immediately it is apparent that lightning is threatening and within approximately 8-10kms from the greens.

This will be when the time between the lightning flash and the hearing of the noise of thunder is 30 seconds or less.

Subject to the Controlling Body's permission, play may resume when no thunder is heard for 30 minutes.