Heat Policy Northern Suburbs Basketball Association Basketball Clubs

Heat Policy

Phase 1 – 32 Degrees in Stadium

All teams, players and officials are advised to increase the intake of fluids.

Phase 2 – 35 Degrees in Stadium

Running Clock Games

Games reduced to 17 minute halves

Compulsory 1 minute time out (clock stopped) when the clock is at 11:00 and 5:00 minutes remaining. Scorers stop the clock and sound the siren. The referees stop the play as soon as practicable. For example, if a team is on a "fast break", they can complete the lay-up attempt.

4 minute break at half time

Fully Timed Games

Games reduced to 14 minute halves

Compulsory 1 minute time out (clock stopped) when the clock is at 8:00 minutes remaining. Scorers stop the clock and sound the siren. The referees stop the play as soon as practicable. For example, if a team is on a "fast break", they can complete the lay-up attempt.

4 minute break at half time

Officials

Referees must not do more than 3 games in a row at this temperature.

Phase 3 – 38 Degrees in Stadium

All Games

Teams are given the option to cancel the game. If one team wants to cancel the game is cancelled.

The cancelled game will be given as a "no game" for the purpose of the Standings at the end of the season.

If the game goes ahead, the same variations to timings as for 35 degrees in the stadium apply.

Officials

Referees must not do more than 2 games in a row at this temperature.

Phase 4 – Greater than 40 Degrees in Stadium

At this temperature games are cancelled and will be recorded as a No Game. Teams/Players may shoot around or scrimmage in the half court only but must have a 3 minute break every 10 minutes. This will be implemented by a central clock being used to count the 10 minutes.