

## 4.5 Weather

### 1. Changes from last issue

### 2. Objective

Provide clear guidance in adverse weather conditions to ensure the safety of all children and staff within the camps.

### 3. Snow/Rain

- Where possible all activities will continue as normal in conditions of snow or rain. Parents/Guardians are encouraged to pack appropriate clothing for the children to deal with all weather conditions.
- In instances where there is too much snow/rain poses a danger to the activity then an alternative venue or activity will be provided.
- If there is no alternative venue or activity children must be placed in a dry warm area for a suitable length of time to see if the weather subsides.
- If for any reason there is no absolutely no alternative venue or activity then parents may be contacted for collection of children. This decision can only be made by relevant Duty Officer.

### 1. Thunder/Lightning

- In the circumstance that thunder or lightning occurs then all children must go indoors for an alternative activity until it clears.

### 2. Sun Care

All staff should follow guidance from the weather and UV level reports and use the following procedures to keep children safe and healthy in the sun:

- Ask all children to apply sun cream issued by parents before camp before going outdoors.
- Children should be encouraged to wear sun hats where possible.
- Staff should make day to day decisions based on length of time the children spend in the sun.
- Regular and more frequent water breaks will be provided in hot sunny weather.
- Staff should source a shaded area for breaks and where possible activities to take place under shaded area.
- Staff should also make sure that children's water bottles are topped up throughout the day.
- Staff will enforce the importance of sun safety throughout the week at camp.
- Staff should adapt activities in hot weather conditions.

