

# Davis Legacy Soccer Club Field Closure Procedure Policy

## Purpose of the Policy

This policy puts in place the process to determine the potential or eminent need for field closures and the steps required to determine whether the closing of DLSC fields are warranted. Rain is defined as forecasted or actual rain, which may require the Davis Legacy Soccer Complex to be closed. This policy applies to all scheduled games, tournaments, practices, private training sessions, PDP and NorCal Premier Soccer (NorCal) events. The Davis Legacy Director of Operations and the Club Director of Administration and Finance, or their designee, will be responsible for monitoring weather forecasts and invoking this Policy whenever it is determined that the fields will or have become to saturated for safe play and/or there is a potential for field damage—taking into consideration the level and age of the players scheduled to use the fields shall be a significant factor that is considered.

# **Policy**

#### **Prior to Weekend Games or Tournaments**

When weekend games/tournaments are scheduled, the designated club officials, per this policy, will be responsible to monitor the weather forecast and determine the viability of the fields by 4:00pm Wednesday prior. If the designated club officials deem it necessary, after having carefully taken into consideration the weather forecast and the type of age groups involved in the upcoming games, to close the Davis Legacy fields the Club Director of Administration and Finance will notify NorCal administrators no later than the close of business that day. The Director of Operations is also responsible for the notification of all necessary Davis Legacy team managers, board and coaches by same day close of business. Fields are closed and reopened at the sole discretion of the Director of Operations and Club Director of Administration and Finance.

#### Weekend of the Tournament

If the Davis Legacy fields were not closed the Wednesday prior to a weekend tournament, the Director of Operations, Club Director of Administration and Finance, and club landscaping officials will assess all fields for standing water and damages due to weather on a daily basis. If it is determined after any given inspection that one or more fields are not suitable for continued play, the Director of Operations will close the field(s) in accordance with this policy by notifying the appropriate officials. Final determination shall be made by the Director of Operations in consultation with the club Director of Administration and Finance.

In the event that this policy is invoked during an active tournament, tournament officials may elect to continue playing on up to one half (1/2) of the fields, or up to 50% of the fields available, under Good Faith. Participants should be prepared to relocate at the request of event organizers and Davis Legacy Club officials due to weather, field or other factors. NorCal will have sole responsibility to modify their tournament schedule to work with the reduced number of available fields.

#### The Terms of Use if Fields are Used as Described Above

The Director of Operations and club Director of Administration and Finance will inspect fields for damage throughout their use. If an excess of damage is determined (beyond normal wear and tear), Davis Legacy Soccer Club will notify NorCal administrators within two weeks of the tournament. NorCal and Davis Legacy will negotiate a supplemental payment to Davis Legacy for repair to the Davis Legacy Soccer complex/fields. This may include but is not limited to replacing the grass on one or more fields. The Davis Legacy organization agrees to use best industry practices to make all repairs necessary. NorCal agrees to negotiate in good faith understanding that Davis Legacy went above and beyond to allow continued usage of the fields during inclement weather.

### **Weekday Use of the Fields**

During the weekday practice, PDP and private training schedules, the designated club officials, per this policy, will be responsible to monitor the weather forecast and physically determine the viability of the fields at least four hours prior to the start of any scheduled event that day. If the designated club officials deem it necessary to close the Davis Legacy fields the Director of Operations will notify the club's board, managers, coaches and families promptly through the club's listservs, emails and posts to the club's website and social media sites. Fields are closed and re-opened at the sole discretion of the, Director of Operations and club Director of Administration and Finance.