

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT LIGHTNING DETECTION SYSTEM

The Borough of Maywood maintains a Lightning Detection System at two locations - Memorial Park and Maywood Pool/Coaches Park. The system is managed by the Borough Administrator. Maywood's Recreation Department has been designated with educating all organizations that apply for Borough of Maywood field/facility use permits about the system.

An effective lightning safety program is dependent on cooperation by field/facility users, as well as properly functioning technology. Compliance with the Lightning Detection System will increase once residents and other field/facility users understand how the system works and what to do when there is a threat of lightning.

HOW THE LIGHTNING DETECTION SYSTEM WORKS

Each location is equipped with a Horn and Strobe Light - What the Horn and Strobe Light Mean:

- **One Long 15-Second Horn Blast Means Lightning Detected - SEEK SHELTER NOW**
- **Strobe Flashing Means Lightning in Area - Under Alert - SEEK SHELTER NOW**
- **Three Short 5-Second Horn Blasts means All Clear - Safe to Resume Outdoor Activities**

The system is configured to alert when a lightning strike has occurred within 10 miles. Once 30 minutes have passed with no lightning detected in the 10-mile area, an All Clear signal will be broadcast.

Important: Do not assume it is safe to return to the field after 30 minutes. The system tracks ALL lightning strikes within a 10-mile radius, but only activates after the first strike. There may be multiple consecutive strikes occurring. The system will only sound the All Clear 30 minutes after the LAST lightning strike. Wait until the All Clear signal is given before returning to the field.

WHAT TO DO WHEN THE SYSTEM IS ACTIVATED

While alert is active - seek enclosed & grounded building or an enclosed automobile

Avoid the outdoors, open areas, water, trees, metal fences, overhead wires, high ground

YOUR OBLIGATION TO COMPLY

Information for complying with the Lightning Detection System are posted at each field/facility.

All field users have an obligation to comply with the alerts by immediately vacating the field or facility and to seek shelter. This includes coaches, parents, referees/umpires. It applies equally to organized sports activities as well as casual field users.

The safety of all participants, especially children, is of paramount importance. Any organization that does not comply with the alerts will have field/facility permit revoked.

* To report a problem or if you believe that the system is not functioning properly, please call the Maywood Police Department at 201-845-8800

*** I have read and fully understand this information provided regarding the Lightning Detection System**


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