



Bridge Hoops Hot Weather Policy

Effective January 2024

Murray Bridge Basketball Association has adopted the following guidelines regarding the participation in Bridge Hoops in Hot Weather conditions which relates to players and officials.

On days of predicted hot weather, if the **forecasted temperature on the Bureau of Meteorology website** (www.bom.gov.au) is **35°C** or higher, all Bridge Hoops activities will be cancelled for that day. A message will also be placed on the MBBA Facebook page and an email to participants to notify of the cancellation.

Irrespective of the predicted maximum temperature, the stadium co-ordinator and coaches should adopt the following as appropriate, in cases of hot weather:

Stadium Co-ordinator:

- Should take steps to maximize airflow and reduce heat build up in stadium
- Make an assessment of playing conditions and advise coaches
- Cancel or postpone Aussie Hoops activities if playing conditions are considered unsafe

Coaches:

- Should ascertain whether any players have a known medical condition that may be affected by weather conditions
- Ensure that players take adequate fluid during the Aussie Hoops session
- Take regular breaks as deemed appropriate

As well as the temperature forecast, it is recommended that humidity be considered, as high humidity can create stressful conditions.

Stadium Management has the ability to postpone or cancel an Aussie Hoops session if they believe the conditions are considered unsafe.

No-one should ever feel as though they must play if they believe it is unsafe or they are feeling distressed.