

Hi all,

You will be aware that high temperatures are forecast this weekend/early next week and there is an amber warning of extreme heat in place from Sunday. A number of clubs have raised concerns about this both in men's and mixed league's.

**First and foremost: player welfare is the overriding concern.** Everybody responds differently to hot conditions and clubs should not expect anyone to play in matches if it might affect their health, even if it results in their team having a lower position in the league. The league cannot possibly dictate what constitutes dangerous conditions for each individual and clubs remain responsible for player welfare.

This should be handled in a similar way to matches that are affected by rain - i.e. the respective captains should be in touch with one another to discuss the situation.

On all of the above points, please be understanding if approached by an opposition captain as everybody has different circumstances.

Best wishes,

Phil Langley

Stand in Chair