

EMSA Air Quality Procedure

This is the link that teams and referees are required to use for any Air Quality Index Readings: https://weather.gc.ca/airquality/pages/provincial_summary/ab_e.html

For games in the City of Edmonton, as the AQI can vary all over the City, we will be using the sub-station readings:

- Edmonton East – for the area south of the river and east of Calgary Trail.
- Edmonton McCauley – for the area north of the river and east of highway 2.
- Edmonton Lendrum - for the area south of the river and west of Calgary Trail.
- Woodcroft - for the area north of the river and west of highway 2.

Here is the link for the substations: https://weather.gc.ca/airquality/pages/multiple_stations/abag-001_e.html

For games in the City of Spruce Grove, please use the St. Albert AQI reading.

- **Weekdays at 4:00pm** (regardless of the time it was last calculated at)
- **Weekends 1 hour prior to your game start time** (regardless of the time it was last calculated at)

NOTE: Games being played in Red Deer or for those teams travelling from Red Deer to the City (or surrounding area) 3 hours prior to game start time (regardless of the time it was last calculated at):

If the Air Quality Health Index is listed as:

● **AQI between 1 and 6:** the game will proceed as scheduled. Teams are expected to show to the field or will forfeit the game. If the AQI rises to 7 or above just before game start or during the game, the game will be cancelled at the field by the referee. If 2/3's of the game has not been played already, the game will be rescheduled. See reschedule procedure on next page.

● **AQI is at a 7 or higher:** the game will be automatically cancelled and rescheduled. No need for teams or referees to show up at the field.

If the AQI is N/A at 4pm for the location of your game, the last available reading for that particular location will be the accepted reading.

Please note games being played at the Edmonton Scottish Soccer Dome or the Red Deer Dome are not affected by the AQI as those games are being played indoors on artificial turf. Games will proceed at these locations regardless of the outside air quality.