

LIGHTNING POLICY CHEAT SHEET



How to determine how far away lightning/thunder is: "Flash to Bang" Method

This method may be used when technology, such as the weather apps mentioned below, are not working and/or accessible.

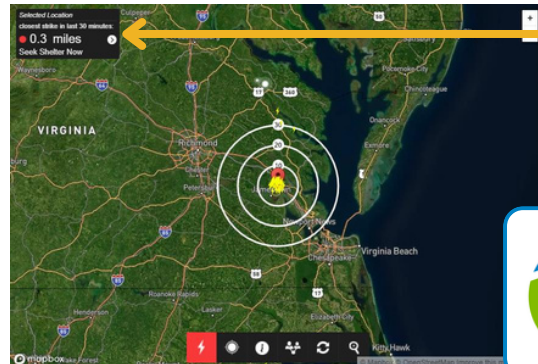
- 1) Estimate the distance between the venue and a lightning flash by counting the number of seconds until you hear thunder after visually observing lightning.
- 2) Divide the number of seconds by 5 to calculate the distance in miles.

Example: If you see lightning and it takes 10 seconds before you hear thunder, the lightning is 2 miles away.

3) Any time that it takes 30 seconds or less to hear thunder after lightning is observed, the entire event should be cleared and all participants/spectators should find appropriate shelter.

How to determine how far away lightning/thunder is: WeatherBug App

- 1) Open the WeatherBug app.
- 2) Use the lightning radar to determine the proximity of lightning to the venue.



Distance from
Location



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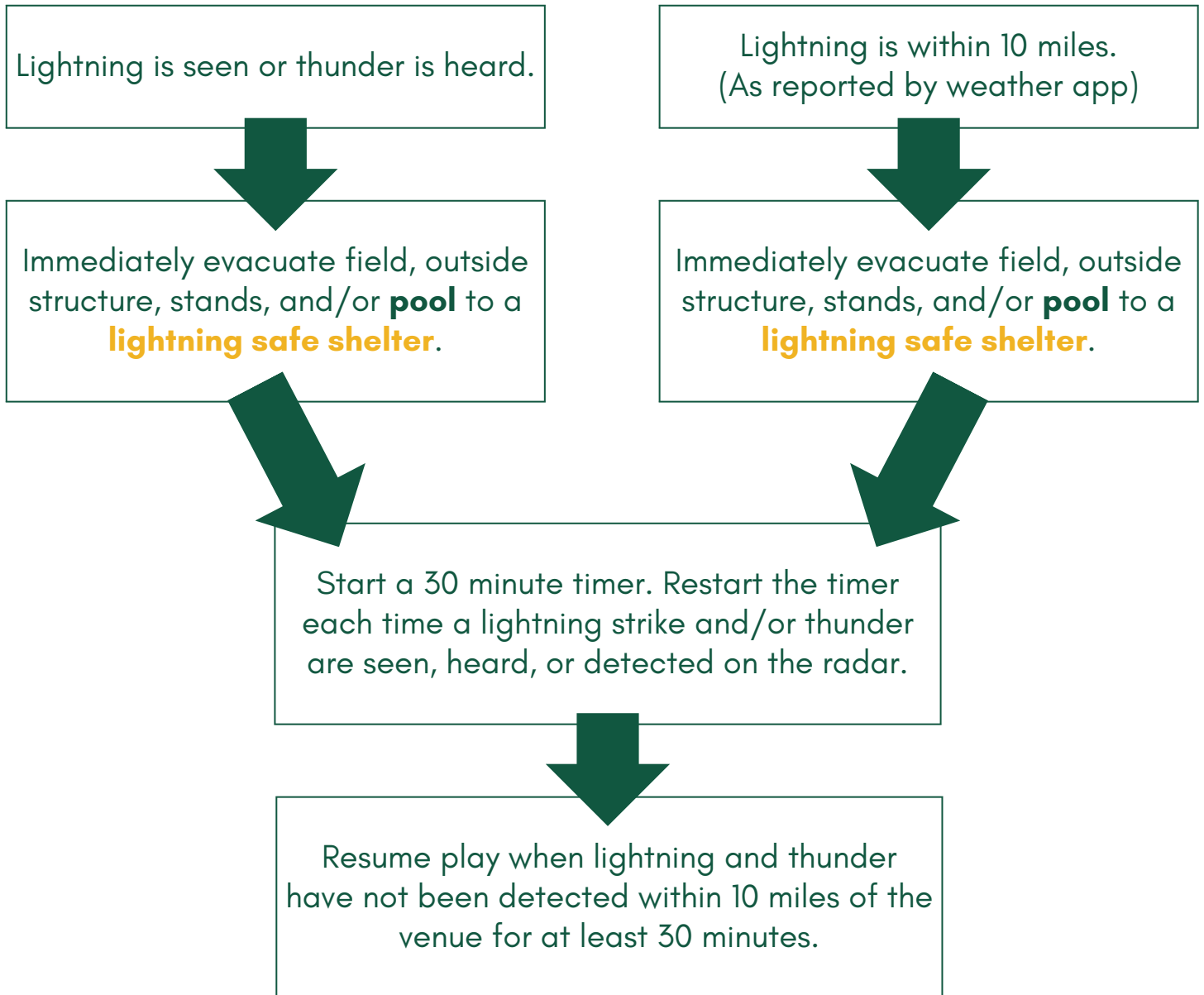
Pool Evacuation

In the event of lightning, the Bee McLeod Recreation Center pool does not need to be evacuated, it is ground and protected from lightning.

All other pools, including Adair Pool need to be evacuated if lightning is within 10 miles and/or lightning is seen/thunder is heard.

If you see lightning or hear thunder, or if the radar shows that lightning is within 10 miles of the venue (Make sure to check WeatherBug if you think a storm is coming!), follow the flowchart on the next page.

LIGHTNING POLICY FLOW CHART



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