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To Whom It May Concern:

The below and attached is for immediate release concerning Hot Weather Conditions within Greater Jacksonville Pop Warner and the Southeast Region:

HOT WEATHER POLICY

Modified **7/28/2008**

Effective immediately, the following shall be the official policy regarding establishment of "Hot Weather Conditions" throughout the Southeast Region:

As a minimum, "Hot Weather Conditions" shall be in effect from the official day of practice until September 15th of each Pop Warner Season. Thereafter, they shall remain in effect on any day that the official high daily temperature reaches or exceeds 90 degrees.

Beyond this, Leagues, Associations and Teams should practice hot weather procedures at other times when circumstances or a combination thereof make heat related injury more likely such as actual temperature and humidity at time of practice, intensity or practice routine, physical condition of athletes, etc.

During "Hot Weather Conditions" additional break time is required and running laps is not permitted to be used as a disciplinary tool. Running, in any form, should be used solely as a conditioning tool. Specific requirements may be found in the National Rule Book. Failure to follow these procedures shall be deemed a violation of National Rule under Adult Offenses; Endangerment of Juveniles, which carries a minimum mandated penalty of suspension for 1 year, but most commonly results in permanent removal from the Pop Warner Program.

Please consult the current Pop Warner Rule Book for more information. Also, please follow all standard protocol regarding Heat Related Illness as trained in the USA Football Youth Tackle Program which is mandatory for all rostered coaches and team personnel.

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