

## YMBA Heat Policy (as per By-Laws):

- 8.1 When the court temperature reaches 30°C competition organisers must consider implementing and where the court temperature reaches 35°C, must implement the following timing rules:
  - **8.1.1** Game times will be reduced by 2 minutes per half.
  - 8.1.2 The clock must stop for each timeout and the referee will call an additional compulsory timeout close to the half-way mark in each half.
  - 8.1.3 For Junior and Senior games, one team must call a timeout before the referee's compulsory timeout and the other team must call a timeout after the compulsory timeout.
  - 8.1.4 In the event the coaches do not call a timeout as required, the referees will intervene and call a timeout and attribute them to the respective teams.
- 8.2 When the court temperature reaches **40 C** games must be abandoned. Subject to any rule or ruling by a competition organiser:
  - 8.2.1 If a game is abandoned before it commences or before or at half time it is counted as a draw.
  - 8.2.2 If a game is abandoned after half time, the game score stands as the final result.
  - 8.2.3 If a game is abandoned before it commences, the Administrator may reschedule the game to another date only if court availability and circumstances allow, otherwise it is counted as a draw, as per 8.2.1
- 8.3 Players need to ensure that they hydrate regularly before, throughout and after the game.
- 8.4 Referees, coaches and their parents must monitor junior players to ensure they drink plenty of fluid and watch for any signs of heat stress.