

Drenching downpours and thunderstorms may entail delay or even cancellation. Sometimes it will be necessary to delay or cancel in anticipation of severe weather, e.g. tornado **warning** as opposed to a storm watch.

For thunder during a race in progress, use common sense. If it is the 100 meter dash in progress, it is quicker to run the heat to completion than to try to abandon the heat.

Always have rain coverage for the printing watches on hand.

The following suggestions are in case of significant chance of rain. Steady gentle rain will be a serious annoyance, may curtail some events, but probably will not be a total washout.

Registration should keep duplicate registration record, including record of bib numbers and to whom issued in a secure dry place.

Clerking and registration materials should be under cover, or at least retained in the water tight bins except what is in active use.

Event cards should be filled out completely and retained at clerking, not sent to start line.

Heat selection should be simplified so it is easy to call heats by category, e.g. by range of seed times, gender and age group.

Start registers should be completed as far as possible under cover at clerking. With simplified heat selection, it may not be strictly necessary to fill out start registers in detail.

Start registers should be sent to start line covered in clear plastic.

Lap Counting may be curtailed. Lap counting sheets could be folded-over and marked inside of clear plastic bags. Or list bib numbers and use tick marks on waterproof paper.

Finish area should have a water tight bin on hand. The clear plastic bins with foam seal are water tight.

Waterproof pad (Rite-in-the-Rain) and **pencils** should be available at finish area. Most pens will not perform in wet conditions. If necessary, waterproof pad available at clerking also. The paper is in limited supply, and it is 20x more expensive than plain paper: it is there to be used when needed.

Sprint score sheet – record which event and heat / lane / place in heat / bib / times to 0.01 sec on waterproof paper if needed. These are the columns with bold boxes on the regular spring score sheet.

Run score sheet – record event / heat and bib numbers in place order. Label paper tape printouts and staple to score sheet.