## Old Dominion University Athletics Inclement Weather Policy

Old Dominion University Athletics recognizes the fact that inclement weather and other emergencies can affect the University's ability to open for business and the ability of employees and student-athletes to get to work, class, or practice. The safety of all involved in paramount in any emergency. No policy can cover every potential emergency, so this policy covers the most common (snow, ice, flooding, hurricane, tornado, and the governor declares a weather emergency).

If the University closes due to an emergency, employees and students are asked to use common sense and make their best assessment of the safety and practicality of the situation. The parties involved should only attend work and/or practice if they can make it safely.

In the event the University closes and a home game is scheduled for that day, the Director of Athletics will be in communication with the President and/or COO of the University to determine if the event is cancelled. If the event is not cancelled, essential personnel should attend or he/she should find an appropriate substitute. If necessary, the Athletic Business Office will provide the employee with one nights lodging in order to assist in their attendance to the event.

In the event the University closes and a practice or athletically related activity is call by the Head Coach the following procedure must be followed:

- The practice or athletically related activity (including time of practice) must be approved by the Director of Athletics or designee,
- If necessary, support personnel will be provided lodging in order to attend the practice. The name(s) of those persons must be provided to the Athletic Business Office for booking purposes.
- Facilities will be prioritized for each sport depending upon the season (championship season taking precedent over non-championship season)
- Sports programs which are in their non-championship season will provide a voluntary athletically related activity only unless approved by the sport administrator.
- No repercussion to the employee or student-athlete will be assessed if they are unable to attend the practice or athletic related activity due to safety concerns.

Again, safety of all involved in paramount in any emergency.