

TOUR DOWN UNDER

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2026 HEALTH PARTNERS FAMILY RIDE EXTREME WEATHER PLAN AND CANCELLATION GUIDELINE

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1. EVENT OVERVIEW

The Health Partners Family Ride is a participation event managed by the Santos Tour Down Under (“TDU”) and which will take place on Tuesday 20 January 2026 from 16:00– 17:00 on a section of the South Australia Prologue track in Victoria Park. The Health Partners Family Day activities will run from 14:00-20:00.

The decision to amend or cancel the Health Partners Family Ride on account of extreme weather will be made by the event organiser, Events South Australia (“ESA”), a division of the South Australian Tourism Commission (“SATC”).

Extreme weather can take a variety of forms: heat, thunderstorms, lightning, high winds, poor air quality, or bushfire risk (or some combination thereof). ESA has implemented this Extreme Weather Plan to ensure the safety of all employees, contractors, participants, volunteers and spectators of the event.



ESA will implement any necessary actions resulting from extreme weather as early as possible to minimise the impact on participants and those involved in its organisation.

2. RIDER RESPONSIBILITY

It is the responsibility of the parent / guardian to ensure that participant(s) use sunscreen, drink plenty of water and carry plenty of water with them, wear appropriate clothing and take advantage of shade and rest areas provided.

It is the responsibility of the participant / parent / guardian to make appropriate decisions about whether to start or continue riding based on their physical condition.

3. FORWARD PLANNING

ESA will monitor Bureau of Meteorology “BOM” forecasts and warnings for heat, thunderstorms, high winds, lightning, and air quality.

ESA will seek detailed information from BOM and consult with key State emergency agencies (SAPOL, SES, CFS, MFS, SA Health) to inform decisions.

If extreme weather is forecast, safety briefings with riders will highlight risks and will provide guidance on appropriate safety measures. The safety briefing will also notify participants of the processes outlined in this Plan.

4. CANCELLATION / POSTPONEMENT / MODIFICATION POLICY

Possible Cancellation or Modifications

In the week preceding the event, the event organiser will receive daily weather briefings from the CFS and consult with BOM and key State emergency agencies as required (i.e. CFS, MFS, SA Health) to consider extreme weather factors, including but not limited to localised conditions, heat loading, humidity, extreme winds, lightning and thunderstorms. The Executive Director ESA will consider these factors and advice from emergency agencies to determine if the event should be cancelled or modified.

The event organiser will reference Sports Medicine Australia's Extreme Heat Risk and Response Guidelines and Webtool on the potential factors beyond temperature alone that would impact the event and result in potential cancellation or modifications to the event that could minimise heat stress for participants.

Air Quality

In the event there is an incident causing poor air quality along the race route (e.g. a significant bushfire, building fire, dust storm) the event organiser will consult with SA Health to determine if the event should be cancelled or modified.



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Extreme Heat

If BOM forecasts the temperature to be 35 degrees Celsius and above, and those temperatures are expected to be reached through the duration of the event, the event organiser will consider modification or cancellation. This decision may be made in consultation with SA Health.

If the Country Fire Service (CFS) issues a fire danger rating of 'Catastrophic' for the Adelaide Metropolitan Area, the event organiser will consult the CFS to determine if the event should be modified or cancelled.

Specific Triggers

Heat: If BOM forecasts $\geq 35^{\circ}\text{C}$ during event hours, SATC will consider modification or cancellation. /Consideration will also be given to:

- The temperature in the preceding days and the risk of heat loading
- The level of humidity forecast
- The level of expected cloud cover
- The expected Air Quality at the Event Site

Lightning: If lightning is detected within 10 km of the event site, the event will be delayed or cancelled. Apply the 30/30 rule (seek shelter if thunder occurs within 30 seconds of lightning flash). The pre-determined safe area is the Heritage Grandstand in Victoria Square if the event is delayed. However, if cancelled participants will be advised to leave the event site if safe to do so.

Wind: Sustained winds > 40 km/h or gusts > 60 km/h will trigger review for modification or cancellation.

Fire Danger: If CFS issues a "Catastrophic" rating for Adelaide Metro, ESA will consult CFS and likely cancel. Extreme rating will trigger review and possible modification.

Air Quality: If AQI exceeds 150 (Unhealthy) as per SA Health guidelines, ESA will consider modification or cancellation.

5. NOTIFICATION

Notification of cancellation or modification will be made as early as possible but no later than 0900 ACDST Tuesday 20 January 2026 (event day).

Upon cancellation or modification, the event organiser will:

- Send an SMS message and email to all participants and stakeholders;
- Upload advice of the cancellation or modification on the TDU website www.tourdownunder.com.au and through Facebook and X.



Enquiries from participants and the general public should be directed to the Event Office on telephone (08) 8132 8300.

Real-time updated information will be provided via PA announcements and social media if occurring at the time of the event.

6. SAFETY BRIEFING

If extreme weather is possible, the safety briefing will highlight risks and provide advice on hydration, heat stress, lightning safety and the pre-determined safe area.

7. LIGHTNING AT START AND FINISH LOCATIONS

If thunderstorm activity is forecast to occur, the MC will direct all people to a pre-determined safe area where they should wait until the storm passes. The event organiser will then decide as to whether the event needs to be cancelled or modified.

8. PARTICIPANT REFUND

If the Health Partners Family Ride is cancelled by the event organiser due to extreme weather, ESA has discretion as to the amount of their participation costs (if any) participants will be refunded.

