



## Extreme Weather Policies

Because Hoyt Arboretum is at a higher elevation than the rest of Portland, the park experiences different weather. For safety reasons, extreme weather conditions will result in cancellations of scheduled outdoor programs like field trips.

**If a program is canceled, we will work to reschedule or issue full refunds.**

Cancellations for the following weather events are subject to occur in real-time. Please note that rain is not included as extreme weather and will not result in cancellations.

### **Unhealthy Air Quality:**

If the air quality index (AQI) according to [airnow.gov](http://airnow.gov) is considered to be UNHEALTHY with AQI of 151 or higher, the program will be canceled.

### **Extreme Heat:**

If temperatures exceed 90°F, programming will be modified. Programs will be canceled if temperatures reach over 100°F.

### **High Winds:**

Due to safety concerns with falling tree debris, programs will be canceled if there is a wind advisory with wind speeds up to 25 MPH or wind gusts over 25 MPH.

### **Thunder and Lightning**

Thunder and lightning is very rare in the Arboretum. If thunderstorms are forecasted during the time of programming, cancellation will occur. In the event of unpredicted thunder and lightning during a program, group leaders will guide participants to safety.

### **Winter Weather:**

Programs will be canceled when there is snow and/or icy conditions on roads, parking lots, and trails.

