



## **Beaufort County Parks & Rec Athletic Field Use Policy**

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### **A. Purpose**

To manage the county's athletic fields in a manner to assure distribution without risking the quality of our facilities.

This will be accomplished by using the following:

1. Outline the available fields and timeline of usage.
2. Outline the facility rental policies and procedures.
3. Define rules and regulations regarding usage.
4. Define the fees and charges for use of the fields.

### **B. Available Athletic Fields**

Beaufort County Parks and Recreation Department is responsible for scheduling rentals for our athletic fields. The following athletic fields are available to rent when the Parks and Recreation programs are not in season:

#### **League Athletic Fields:**

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| 1. Barker Field    | 6. Burton Wells  |
| 2. Basil Green     | 7. Coursen Tate  |
| 3. Bluffton Center | 8. M.C. Riley    |
| 4. Bob Jones       | 9. Oscar Frazier |
| 5. Buckwalter      | 9. Wesley Felix  |

The Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to suspend field availability during opportunities for necessary field maintenance requirements, recreation events, and/or periods of inclement weather.

## **Neighborhood Athletic Fields:**

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| 1. Broomfield         | 5. National Street/Metz |
| 2. Bruce Edgerly      | 6. Scott Field          |
| 3. Burton Wells (Old) | 7. Shell Point          |
| 4. Dale               |                         |

Neighborhood athletic fields are available year round and are intended for immediate neighborhood use, are available to organized athletic groups, and can be rented for other types of events outlined in our rental application. The Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to suspend field availability during opportunities for necessary field maintenance requirements, recreation events, and/or periods of inclement weather.

### **C. Rental Procedures**

1. The Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to limit the amount of practice permitted on our athletic fields.
2. All teams wanting to use our league athletic fields shall submit a Rental Application and Certificate of Liability before they are able to put in a practice request.
3. Rentals are scheduled and approved thru the Parks and Recreation Department. Rentals will not be considered or approved during Parks and Recreation programming. There may also be blackout dates for field maintenance, recreation events, etc.
4. Practice requests must be submitted two weeks prior to the date the fields are being requested. Applications cannot be submitted the week of the request. Practices can be scheduled by contacting the Recreation Department at 843-255-6710 or 843-255-6680.

#### **D. Fees and Charges**

1. All fees are listed on the Parks and Recreation Rental Application.
2. Payment must be received prior to the rental date.
3. Fees will be credited for practices that are rained out by the county or cancelled by the county for maintenance, weather, etc.

#### **E. Rules and Regulations**

- Teams may not use league athletic fields unless pre-scheduled and may not use for any game or contest.
- Please do not use fencing or backstops for batting practice, soft toss, pickle, etc.
- Our athletic fields will be maintained on the normal seasonal schedule. This includes mowing, lining, dragging, etc. Fields will not be dragged or lined during the months we open for rental requests.
- Teams or organizations using any Beaufort County athletic field for travel ball practice will be responsible for damages incurred to the facility during their scheduled timeslot.
- No alcoholic beverages, tobacco, or narcotic drugs are allowed on any Beaufort County Facility.
- No trash should be left on the field, in the dugouts, around the bleachers, or in the parking lot.
- No pets are allowed inside our athletic fields. Service dogs are allowed.
- Please park only in designated areas.
- Misuse of the athletic fields may result in loss of scheduling privileges.
- All park guidelines set forth by the Parks and Recreation Department must be followed at all times.