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ATHLETIC FIELD RULES & REGULATIONS 2016

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1. Under no circumstances is any sports organization using Town of Huntington ball fields and having a permit for same, permitted to allocate a ball field to another organization for either a game or practice. If any organization is found in violation of this policy, it risks revocation of its league permit for the season or indefinitely.
2. If a field is not being utilized the organization must notify the Parks and Recreation Department immediately.
3. The Town's Department of General Services makes all decisions regarding the playable condition of fields, due to inclement weather. Decisions will be made before 4:00 PM and all pertinent information is posted on the Town's Rain Phone Monday – Friday (631)-351-3101.
4. If there are questions on the conditions of fields, call **(631)-351-3101** after 4:00 PM. If there is inclement weather after 5:00 PM, the Town Lighted Ballfield Supervisor, in conjunction with the umpires/officials, will decide on the playing of games. Any Player, Manager or League Official who obstructs or hinders the Town Lighted Ballfield Supervisor or his staff from performing their duties may be subject to suspension. The Parks Department reserves the right to declare a field unplayable at any time, for safety reasons.
5. All injuries to players or spectators must be reported within 24 hours to the Department of Parks and Recreation at (631)-351-3089.

6. No glass bottles or alcoholic beverages are permitted on Town property. This includes playing fields, dugouts and parking areas Town Code Section §159 – 18. This law will be strictly enforced. No team/players/spectators should be found consuming alcoholic beverages. The sale of alcoholic beverages and food is strictly prohibited. Any violations of the above may result in the suspension of league and tournament play on Town of Huntington ball fields.
7. All refuse must be collected and placed in the proper receptacles by each group before leaving the ball field area.
8. No person shall use any violent, obscene or profane language while on park grounds nor shall anyone conduct himself in a disorderly manner.
9. Fighting or physical violence will not be tolerated and will result in immediate and indefinite suspension pending further review.
10. No person shall solicit alms or contributions for any purpose, whether public or private without written authorization from the Director of Parks and Recreation.
11. All lights on athletic fields are shut off at 11:00 PM or 10 minutes after final evening contest. Town Code Section §159-20.
12. League Playoffs must be conducted within the framework of the regular league schedule.
13. No fields will be reserved for rain make-up dates. Rain make-up dates must be built into the regular league schedules by organization and so designated on schedules submitted to the Parks and Recreation Office.
14. All league schedules must be submitted to the Department of Parks and Recreation for approval at least two weeks prior to starting date.

15. Due to increased requests for the use of Town Fields, the Department will issue permits for games only, not for practice time.
16. All organizations must use the Parks and Recreation Department's designated Field Number on the schedules.
17. Parks and Recreation will provide bases for nighttime play. All other leagues must provide their own bases.
18. All tournaments must be played on specified dates as per the Tournament policy.
19. Schedules will not be accepted unless official field names and numbers are used. Copies of schedules are mandatory.
20. Starting dates and finishing dates are essential and must be accurate.
21. Lightning: All players, on or off of the field, are to act in a mature manner during the occurrence of lightning and be it known that at anytime, the Umpires and/or Town of Huntington Employees may postpone temporarily and/or cancel game for the safety of all concerned. At a multi-field facility-if one umpire postpones or cancels a field due to lightning, all fields must do the same.
22. No loitering is permitted in the park or parking lot after final evening contest. Please be kind to our park neighbors after final evening contest. Please do not loiter by their homes.
23. Barbecue grills of any kind are strictly prohibited from Town of Huntington Parks. Grills are provided in picnic designated parks and beaches by Picnic Permit only.
24. Amplification of any kind is strictly prohibited in Town of Huntington Parks unless in specified areas with an amplification permit from the Town Clerks Office.

25. The following acts are considered an act of vandalism by the Department of Parks and Recreation and the Department of General Services: removal of clay from ball field, sweeping of clay into grass, digging of trenches and or holes, foreign matter put on field (dirt, rocks, sand, and kitty litter) labor fee and material fee will result to organization found in violation. Only light raking is permitted on Town fields.
26. No league is to exceed the time listed on their field permit.
27. If a league has time slots on a permit that are not going to be used, the slot must be turned back to the Town of Huntington before the season starts or you will be billed for those time slots and the time slots will then be removed from your permit permanently.
28. Team roster collection is the responsibility of the league presidents. Due date is 3 weeks prior to starting date. Late roster fee's (\$50) per roster (Adult Leagues) will be the responsibility of the league president and paid to the Town of Huntington.
29. Only official town rosters will be accepted. No copies, no faxes. All rosters must be complete. Player must sign his/her own name to roster after reading, understanding and agreeing to hold harmless clause. Team manager or team representative cannot sign for individual players. This is forgery and against the law.
30. Players must have on his/her person the Town Parks and Recreation ID or Golf Card to all games for presentation to the Sports Director or any Town Official prior to or during a game.

31.Failure to produce an ID card:

- First offence-a verbal/written warning.
- Second offence-player suspended from play for rest of game ('s).

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