

Ball Field Usage Policy and Reservation Procedure

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The purpose of this policy is to maximize the amount of Hudson residents that have access and the ability to use park baseball fields. In order to do so, the Parks Department has established the following policies and scheduling procedures.

Any Hudson resident, not reserving fields for organized groups, wishing to use the fields for recreational purposes is always encouraged.

To reserve a ball field, a Hudson resident, age 21 or older, who will be responsible for adherence to all park rules and responsible for any damage to the park caused by their organization's use will request a reservation either via phone, email or online stating date & time; field size required, age of kids or park desired; name, address, phone number and email address of the Hudson resident taking responsibility for the field; the name of the organization, number of Hudson kids that will be on the field and an insurance certificate as required. Reservations will be confirmed by the Parks Department via email.

Hudson Kiwanis baseball serving 5-700 Hudson kids each spring will have first right of refusal of all fields from the beginning of their season until July 15 each year with certain exceptions and exclusions as discussed each year. (Including HCER, HBA tournament and Hudson Diamonds Tournament for 2015)

Hudson non-profit organizations wishing to use the fields will submit requests to the Parks Department after February 1. Reservations for fields start May 1. The Parks Department will make every effort to accommodate requests in a timely manner and will send confirmation via email.

Insurance Requirement: If an organization books fields more than 3 times in a 30-day period, that organization must provide liability insurance that names the City of Hudson as an additional insured.

Field conditions dictate use at any given time. It is the intention of the Parks Department to alert organizations, whenever possible, if a field or fields are unplayable.

All groups are also reminded that alcohol is prohibited in the Parks.

Parks close at dusk.

All lights in parks must be off by 11:00PM by city ordinance. Lights on fields turn off at 10:45PM. Parking lot lights turn off at 11:00PM.