

Impact of Unregulated use

In conjunction with the regular schedule, an integral part of actively keeping athletic fields in their peak playing condition is monitoring the athletic use of each field, including the total amount of activity and the conditions under which the activity is conducted. By doing so, Parks staff can limit activity during times that the natural grass surface is most likely to be damaged. During periods of inclement weather, Parks staff works with athletic organizations to postpone or cancel games when the impact of play could have long-term detrimental effects on the field surface. Staff also schedules regular 'rest' periods for all fields, during which natural surface fields can recover from intensive use as well as to insure the expected life of synthetic fields.

Permits:

100 Lincoln Centre Dr.
Foster City, CA. 94404
☎ (650) 286-8140

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Other Information:

Recreation Center
650 Shell Blvd.
Foster City, CA 94404
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**Sports Field Update Hotline:
650-341-3407**



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CITY OF FOSTER CITY

ATHLETIC FIELD USE ORDINANCES AND REQUIREMENTS



Athletic Field Use Ordinances & Requirements

1. Groups of 10 players or more must obtain an athletic field user's permit from the Foster City Parks and Recreation Department located at 100 Lincoln Centre Drive, Foster City, CA 94404. Please call (650)286-8140.
2. Foster City organized athletic field users are given first priority to use the sports fields.
3. You may be asked to show proof of your field user's permit to Foster City Parks Maintenance staff or Foster City Police on site.
4. If "Field Closed" signs are up, no one can play on the field. If your group disregards or moves "Field Closed" signs, your athletic field use permit will be rescinded for the remainder of the time permitted.
5. It is unlawful for any person to conduct sales for profit in any park or community building except with the expressed written consent of the director. (MC 12.36.010)

Top 5 Signs That Fields Are Unsafe For Play

1. Fields have standing puddles of water.
2. Footing is unsure or slippery.
3. Ground is waterlogged and squishy.
4. Grass is easily pulled out of ground.
5. When lightning or severe weather storms occur.

Permit Required—Section 12.16.010

The Foster City Council has approved changes to the Foster City Park Use Ordinance concerning group use of athletic fields. Section 12.16.010, Permit Required, of Chapter 12.16, Park Use, of the Foster City Municipal Code has been amended reducing the number of players from 25 or more to 10 or more, requiring a permit. This change will have a positive impact on the Foster City Community. It will help reduce the overuse of Foster City's athletic fields making it possible to keep the fields in better playing condition. It will also increase the availability of fields for casual use and ensures that the City properly manages risks associated with group use.

Unlawful to Conduct Business in City Owned Park—Sections 12.36.010 & 12.36.020

By Foster City ordinance the use of any city facility to conduct business such as sales, services or soliciting is prohibited except where approved by the Department of Parks and Recreation and the Director. Violators will be asked to leave and are subject to MC 1.08.020 (Misdemeanor—Penalty). To request permission to conduct business as a contractor a class proposal must be submitted to the Department. Class proposal packets are available at the William E. Walker Recreation Center front desk (650 Shell Blvd).

Please Respect Your Foster City Athletic Field Space

This is your park. Please take a moment to teach respect for public property.

- Please pick up after yourselves; use trash containers.
- Protect trees and flowers for all to enjoy.
- Keep walking tracks and synthetic field surfaces clear and free of furniture and other objects.
- BBQ units, food, and drinks other than water are not allowed on synthetic fields and walking tracks.

Be a good role model!

2013 DROP-IN SCHEDULE

SOCCER

February-April...Mon & Wed...Sea Cloud S-3...12pm-to 2pm
May-August...Tues & Thurs...Edgewater...5:30pm to 8:30pm
May-June...Tues & Thurs...Boothbay...12pm to 2pm
July-Sept...Mon...Catamaran...12pm-2pm
July-Sept...Wed...Sea Cloud S-3...12pm-2pm

VOLLEYBALL

July-Oct...Edgewater...Sat & Sun...11am to 3pm

**Notes: No soccer play on softball/baseball fields
No permit or insurance required for drop-ins**