

# *O'Fallon Family Sports Park Field Usage Policy*

In order to maintain a high level of service to our participants, the O'Fallon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) enforces a Field Usage Policy that all participants must follow. OPRD staff appreciates your cooperation in creating a friendly and positive environment for recreation and social opportunities in all its facilities.

Participation in all recreational programs is a privilege. All participants in recreation programs or who utilize recreation facilities, agree to adhere to the following **Field Usage Policy**:

## **Participants are expected to:**

- Treat staff and facilities with respect.
- Act with character and courtesy while respecting the rights, welfare, and dignity of all others in OPRD Recreation Facilities.
- Adhere to the rules & policies set by OPRD Sports Park in its facilities and programs.
- Act in a safe, responsible manner regarding themselves and others.
- Coaches/teams are not allowed to poach, recruit, or contact any other members of other clubs that are using the same facility field spaces. Any team or coach found poaching, will be in violation of this contract and IMMEDIATELY removed from the facility and will no longer be allowed to rent field space at O'Fallon Family Sports Park.

Participants engaging in inappropriate behavior or violating OPRD/Sports Park policies in the Recreational facilities may be subject to have their privileges of participation revoked and could face possible disciplinary action.

- 1. RESPONSIBLE PARTY.** A responsible adult must be present at all times when the field is occupied by the user. That individual is responsible for damage to property, as well as the supervision and control of all group participants, officials, and spectators during use of the field.
- 2. FIELD CONDITIONS.** Good judgment must be used when assessing field conditions: the field is NOT to be used when conditions are such that said use is likely to cause injury to participants or result in damages to the playing surface.
- 3. BEHAVIOR.** Violent or threatening behavior of participants, officials, spectators or any other person(s) participating in or attending the permitted activity that may jeopardize the safety of others is prohibited and must be prevented, controlled, and/or addressed immediately. Failure to adequately address behavioral issues could result in termination of field use. The user is required to have a code of conduct and disciplinary guidelines in place prior to the use of the premises.
- 4. CONCESSIONS.** Applicants are prohibited from operating concessions without written consent of the O'Fallon Parks and Recreation Department or their designate.
- 5. PRIVATE TRAINING.** Private training is prohibited on O'Fallon Parks and Recreation property without the written consent of O'Fallon Parks and Recreation Department or their designate.
- 6. UNAUTHORIZED USE.** The user shall only use the premises only for those purposes described in this letter. Use of the premises at times or dates other than those specifically provided for herein must be approved in advance by OPRD.
- 7. CANCELLATION.** OPRD reserves the right to deny, put on probation, or cancel use of the premises for any reasonable cause or violation. Reasonable cause is defined as any violation to the terms of this agreement or any of the responsibilities defined under the Field Rental Agreement. Every attempt will be made to give the permittee adequate notice of any cancellation or denial.
- 8. ASSIGNMENT OF USE.** The user shall not assign or sublet any part of the premises without the written consent of the O'Fallon Parks and Recreation Department.
- 9. DISCRIMINATION.** The user shall not discriminate against any person in the use of said premises because of race, color, religion, sex, disability, age, national origin, ancestry, marital status, familial status, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression or genetic information.

## **Assumption of Risk:**

**Participation in OPRD Recreation programs at O'Fallon Family Sports Park is completely voluntary. Individuals participate at their own risk and assume full responsibility for their own health and safety. Each participant or observer DOES HEREBY INTENTIONALLY, KNOWINGLY, AND VOLUNTARILY RELEASE, WAIVE, DISCHARGE, INDEMNIFY, AND AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS the City of O'Fallon, its employees, regents, and volunteers from any claims, actions, suits, or other legal action brought as a result of a claim arising from injuries sustained during participation in or observation of any recreation activity.**

**STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING:** I, the undersigned, representing the user, have reviewed this document and agree to inform all members of its contents and to assure that this organization enforces and follows all provisions of this Field Usage Policy. The applicant agrees to abide by the rules of conduct for its participants, officials and spectators; and assumes responsibility for damage to property, supervision, and control of all participants, officials, and spectators during use of the premises. I further give assurance that the organization, group, or agency that I represent is in compliance with all applicable Federal, State and local laws.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_