

# City of Sierra Vista

## Veterans Memorial Park Sport Complex

### Rules

To protect the amenities of the complex, maximize the life of the artificial turf, track surface, and courts, and avoid conflict between user groups, the City of Sierra Vista Parks, Recreation and Library Department requires that every user of the facility be aware and abide by the following rules & regulations for use of complex in order to protect the investment and warranty provisions. Doing so will ensure that this facility can be maintained and cared for properly so the community can enjoy it for years to come.

#### General:

1. The artificial turf field is available to reserve/rent for approved uses only (including, but not limited to soccer, lacrosse, football, rugby, kickball, and other turf appropriate activities).
2. All organized field use requires a reservation/permit. Public hours vary based on field reservation times and the sunrise calendar. Contact the Sports Division at 520-515-4999 during regular business hours for additional information.
3. Artificial turf users must not enter the field prior to their permitted time and should exit the field **and have any garbage and belongings removed no later than their end time** to allow for an easy transition between user groups. Reservation times for groups should include time for cleaning up and vacating the field. User groups may be assessed additional charges and fees for causing delays during group transitions. All user groups are responsible for the condition of the field after their use.
4. User groups should inspect the facility prior to and after their use to ensure that they are not held responsible for damage/conditions that they did not cause. Prior to use, if a user finds a defect or the field in an unclean condition, they must notify the Recreation Department immediately.

520-515-4999 (Sports Division)  
10a-7p Monday – Friday and 9a-3p Saturday  
520-678-3986 (Sport Field Ambassador)  
After hours till 9:15pm  
Email photos, when possible, to [sports@sierravistaaz.gov](mailto:sports@sierravistaaz.gov)

5. **Organizations are responsible for the conduct and behavior of their coaches, players, volunteers, referees, and spectators on the field during all their games, practices, and activities.**
6. The complex is to be left in the same or better condition than it was found. This means the removal or replacing of all equipment brought or moved into the complex. Each team/organization/user is responsible for removing all items and taking them with you, to include any trash, food, and property of the user, organization, and spectators. Additional charges may be assessed to the reservation holder for anything that may be necessary to clean the facility or return it to an acceptable state by city staff.
7. **Cleaning fee's will be charged to reservation holders as appropriate. Cleaning Fees will incur a fee of not less than \$50.00 an hour. If additional work is required, it will be charged at cost plus 20%.**
8. In the stadium, spectators will be required to sit in provided bleachers or in the rock areas

surrounding track. **Spectators are not permitted on the artificial turf or track.** Players or coaches who wish to bring chairs for use on the artificial turf team areas must meet the following criteria:

## APPROVED TURF CHAIRS



### PREFERRED CHAIR FOR TURF USE

Chairs with U-SHAPED legs are preferred for use on the TURF because they provide the most protection for the TURF.



### CHAIR APPROVED FOR TURF USE

Chairs with wide bases are required for use on the TURF because they provide sufficient protection for the TURF.



### CHAIR NOT APPROVED

Chairs without bases are **NOT ALLOWED** on the TURF. They provide **NO** protection and will puncture the TURF.

9. Unauthorized uses within the complex, to include but not limited to golfing, model airplanes, rockets, javelin throwing, archery, pushing sleds, drones without a permit, etc. are prohibited. If there is a question about whether an activity is permitted within the complex, please contact the Sports Division at (520) 515-4999.
10. Disc Throwing or Shotput must use the appropriate sections of the facility. **Shotput and other types of weighted devices are not permitted on the artificial turf at any time.**
11. No animals (dogs or pets of any kind) are permitted on the track surface or artificial turf at any time.
12. No spitting.
13. Smoking and chewing tobacco are prohibited.
14. No picking or pulling of the grass fibers or infill material on the field.
15. Grills or other open cooking structures are prohibited within the complex.
16. Renters are responsible for notifying their participants, employees, volunteers, and guests of our rules.
17. No Motorized vehicles or bikes.
18. No banner is to be hung on or around the Sports Complex without written approval by the Parks, Recreation and Library Department Director or designated authority.

### Food and Beverage Rules for the Artificial Turf and Track:

1. Only water is permitted on the track, artificial field, and courts and it must be contained properly in non-breakable containers. Glass containers are not permitted in the complex.
2. **No food is permitted on the artificial turf, track, or court surfaces.** *Including but not limited to gum, sunflower seeds, grapes, oranges, and nuts.*

### Artificial Turf Care:

1. Only freestanding field markers and sports equipment may be used on the turf surfaces. **NO stakes, posts, poles, or markers of any kind may be driven into the turf.**
2. Marking, painting, or taping is strictly prohibited.
3. Substances that may stain the turf, such as ointments or sunscreen must be used and kept at player areas or outside the fenced area.
4. **Tents are not permitted on the fields without written Department approval.**

5. **The goals and nets provided are not to be moved by users. Users/Organizations must arrange for the placement of goals, nets, etc. by contacting the Sports Division for the Department of Parks, Recreation & Library at least 5 business days in advance by calling (520) 515-4999 during normal business hours.**
6. Footwear on artificial turf fields must be molded rubber cleats, turf shoes or running shoes. Metal cleats and screw-in plastic cleats are **not** permitted. Accessing the turf while wearing molded rubber cleats must be done by walking across the black, protective tarp laying across the track. **Cleats are not permitted on the track at any time.** *Footwear that has long blades, studs, or heels can puncture the turf which can cause unnecessary wear and tear. Damage to the turf or track caused by a failure to comply with these requirements will be at the user's expense.*

#### **Inclement Weather:**

Renters should follow standard safety procedures for Severe Weather, Thunder, and Lightning.

1. The field should not be used in weather conditions involving the threat of lightning. The presence of even distant thunder warrants leaving the field and surrounding areas. The field should be clear for at least 30 minutes after last bolt of lightning or clap of thunder.
2. **Only** City of Sierra Vista personnel can clear the artificial turf, track, or courts of snow.

#### **FEES (See City of Sierra Vista Fee Schedule)**

*The Sports Complex Field Rules & Regulations are always in effect and apply to everyone using the field. Users will be liable, fees may be assessed, and field privileges may be suspended and/or revoked for failure to abide by these rules.*