CITY OF MURRIETA COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT DISTRICT

Field Use and Allocation Policy

Approved By City Council on August 19, 2014

consists of at least eighty percent (80%) Murrieta residents.

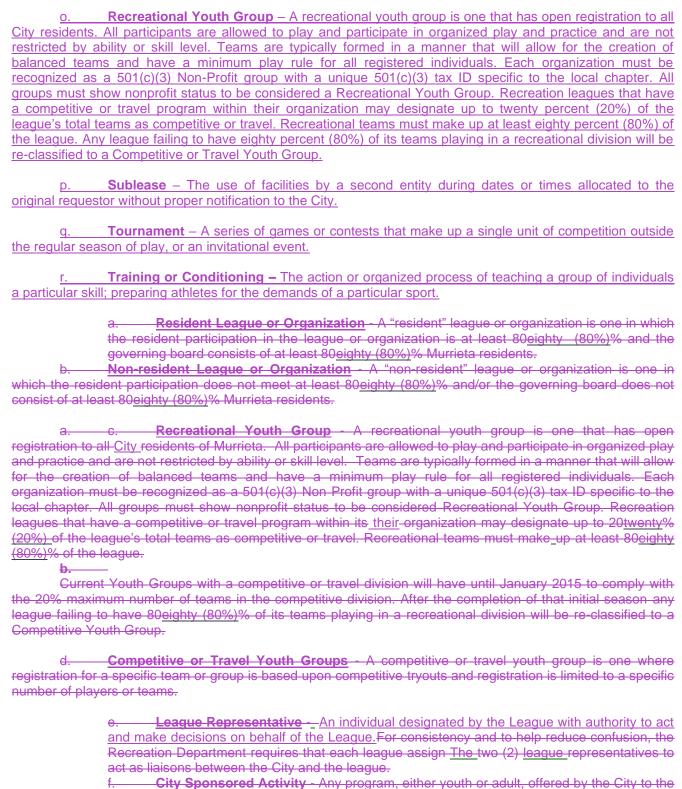


1. <u>DEFINITIONS</u>

a.	Advancement Program – Athletic programs that go beyond local recreation and competitive or
travel ball formation	ats. These programs have athletes move on to regional, state, or national programs with which
the league may	be affiliated.
b.	Camps - Camps are for athletes and/or coaches who want to develop their athletic skills.
Outstanding ins	struction, skill development and intense competition prepare the athlete and/or coach for future
athlete competi	tion.
<u>C.</u>	City – The City of Murrieta
d.	City Sponsored Activity – Any program, either youth or adult, offered by the City to the public.
This includes, I	but is not limited to, adult softball and soccer, youth recreational classes, camps, and special
events.	
<u>e.</u>	Competitive or Travel Youth Groups - A competitive or travel youth group is one where
	a specific team or group is based upon competitive tryouts and registration is limited to a specific
number of playe	ers or teams.
<u>f.</u>	District – Murrieta Valley Unified School District
a.	District Sponsored Activity – Any program offered by the District for educational purposes or
for recreational	
<u>h.</u>	Games - Organized, competitive events typically involving two teams within the same league
and same divisi	<u>ion.</u>
<u>i.</u>	Good Standing - An organization that has complied with all explicit obligations for a given
season such as	the timely submission of insurance, deposits, fees, rosters, and other field use requirements.
<u>j.</u>	Inter-League Play – Games organized by one league division (e.g. Murrieta U16), with teams
	ue (e.g. Temecula U16) in which each division plays against the same division from each other's
league.	
k.	League – Leagues are organizations that consist of a minimum of four (4) teams or four (4) or
more separate	
I.	League Representative - An individual designated by the League with authority to act and
	on behalf of the League.
<u>m.</u>	Non-Resident League or Organization - A "non-resident" league or organization is one in
	ent participation does not meet at least eighty percent (80%) and/or the governing board does
not consist of a	t least eighty percent (80%) Murrieta residents.
n.	Resident League or Organization - A "resident" league or organization is one in which the
resident participation	pation in the league or organization is at least eighty percent (80%) and the governing board

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public. This includes, but is not limited to, adult softball and soccer, youth recreational classes,



camps, and special events.

- g. <u>DistrictMurrieta Valley Unified School District Sponsored Activity</u> Any program offered by the Murrieta Valley Unified School District ("District") for educational purposes or for recreational activities.
- h. <u>League Definition</u> Murrieta leagues are organizations that consist of a minimum four (4) teams or four (4) or more separate divisions.
- i. Tournament A series of games or contests that make up a single unit of competition (as on a professional golf tour), the championship playoffs of a league or conference, or an invitational event.
- j. <u>Inter-League Games organized by one league division, with teams in of another league in which each division played against the same division from each other's league.</u>
- k. <u>Sublease A lease by a tenant or lessee of part or all of leased premises to another person but with the original tenant retaining some right or interest under the original lease.</u>I. <u>Trainings The action or organized process of teaching a group of individuals a particular skill.</u>
 - m. Camps Sport-Specific activity in which the individual is trained in a specific sport.

2. ORDER OF PRIORITY FOR FIELD ALLOCATIONS

As part of the Joint Use Agreement (Agreement) between the City-and the District, the schools designated in the Agreement become "parks" after 4:00 p.m. and on weekends, and the City has priority in use and scheduling, barring any after-school District activities District activities are given priority over all others for District_sponsored activities at both District facilities and City facilities, except that District activities do not have priority over City-sponsored activities at City facilities. __. Accordingly, to help balance demand and ensure fair access with an emphasis toward the community's youth, the order of priority for field allocations is as follows:

- a. City of Murrieta (except that District-sponsored activities have priority at District facilities)
- b. Murrieta Valley Unified School District
- c. Resident Recreational Youth <u>Groups Groups playing in their respective season</u>
- d. Resident Recreational Youth Groups playing outside their respective season
- e.d. Resident Competitive or Travel Youth Groups
- f. Resident Adult Groups playing in their respective season
- g. Resident Adult Groups playing outside their respective season
- h.e. Non-Rresident Youth Groups
- i.f. Non-Rresident Adult Groups

The respective season for baseball, softball, and lacrosse is January through June; for football, flag football, volleyball and soccer is July through December; and for basketball is November through February.

Field allocations will be made proportionately based on league registration and the number of fields available. For purposes of example only, if Soccer League A has 750 <u>participantskids</u> registered, Soccer League B has 250 <u>participantskids</u> registered, and there are 20 soccer fields available, League A will be assigned 15 fields and League B will be assigned <u>five (5)</u> fields. –Typically, field allocations are spread across the City to allow each league to have playing/practice fields close to everyone.

3. LEAGUE FORMATION

a. Any group looking to start a new league utilizing <u>MurrietaCity</u>—allocated facilities will be considered a <u>nNon-rResident eOrganization</u> for <u>its the first</u> season of play when <u>the City is allocating fields</u>. After the first season's official rosters have been received, <u>City staff</u> will apply appropriate field use fees based on the organization's classification as stated in <u>Section 2, abovetwe</u>.



b. Due to the limited availability of facilities, the City of Murrieta will recognize a maximum of two (2) similar organizations in any sport. Requests for leagues of a particular sports that do not currently exist in the City Murrieta will be permitted based on facility availability without impacting current resident recognizational eOrganizations.

4. <u>BI-ANNUAL FIELDS ALLOCATION MEETINGS</u>-

Twice aeach year, the <u>CityCommunity Services DistrictDepartment</u> will hold fields <u>allocation</u> meetings. At these meetings, vital field information will be <u>reviewed_reviewed</u>, and any field closures will be announced. —To be invited to either <u>of the fields meetings</u>, a league or organization must be a <u>rResident | League or oOrganization</u>, as stated above. —Once a <u>Resident | League or oOrganization</u> has met this requirements, <u>theyit</u> will be eligible to attend all fields meetings provided <u>theyit (a) continues</u> to meet all eligibility requirements, <u>(b) that theyit have owes</u> no outstanding <u>paymentsbills</u> to the <u>Recreation Community Services Department and/or the City</u>, and <u>(c) that all forms from the prior season have been submitted to the City (where applicable). —Any new league or organization wishing to be considered a <u>rResident | League or oOrganization must submit a copy of theirits current list of registered players to the <u>RecreationCommunity Services DepartmentCity</u> at least one (1) week prior to the scheduled meeting. —. Staff will verify residency and, if all requirements are met, the <u>y league or organization</u> will be eligible to attend the next scheduled fields meeting. —. Fields meetings are typically scheduled for the second week in January and July.</u></u>

5. REQUIRED INFORMATION AND FORMS

- a. <u>Insurance</u> Any league or organization requesting use of City <u>or</u> <u>District Department</u> <u>District</u> fields and facilities must provide the <u>Recreation Community Services</u> <u>Department City</u> with a copy of its insurance naming the City <u>and</u> the <u>District</u> as additional insureds. —Insurance policies are to <u>have, have</u>, at a minimum, <u>general</u> liability coverage of \$1,000,000 and must be received <u>and approved by the City</u> before any use takes place.— Staff cannot confirm reservations until the <u>Recreation Community Services</u> <u>Department City</u> receives <u>proof of all required the insurance policies</u>.
- b. <u>Refundable Deposits</u> A \$100 deposit for each City <u>or</u> <u>District District</u> field or facility is required. -Leagues or organizations must submit <u>a</u> deposits to the <u>Community Services District Department City</u> before any use takes place and before staff can confirm facilities.

At the end of the playing season, the RecreationCommunity Services DepartmentCity will refund the funds received for the general field deposits, provided that the group utilizing the requested facilities has not caused excessive damage to the facilities, as determined by the Community Services DistrictDepartment City. –The Community Services DistrictDepartment If there has been damage, City, or its contractor, will repair any such damage and subtract the costs from the deposit; staff will refund any remaining portion to the respective league or organization. –The group will be responsible for the cost of any damage to the facility which exceeds the amount of the deposit. – In addition, staff will subtract any outstanding fees owed to the City from the deposits and will then return the remaining sum, if any, to the league or organization.

<u>Deposits for leagues in good standing can be reduced to \$500 per season or remain at \$100/field, whichever is less, at the discretion of the Field Allocation Supervisor-.</u>

c. Rosters and FeesNon-Resident FEES and Field Use Fees

(1) Non-Resident FeesRosters - Before the first game, Non-Resident lall Leagues and eorganizations must submit to the RecreationCommunity Services DepartmentCity rosters for each individual team or cheerleading squad playing on either City or DistrictDistrict facilities.— The rosters must indicate the name and address of each participant. Recreation Department so tall verify Resident/Neon-Resident status.—Non-Residents are those individuals who:



- Live outside the <u>eCity</u> limits of <u>the CityMurrieta</u> <u>such as La Cresta or other</u> unincorporated Riverside County areas;
- Have a P.O. Box as an address; or
- Provide no address; or
- Live in La Cresta or other unincorporated Riverside County areas.
- Players without an address will be considered a non-resident.

If there are any questions regarding an individual's status, please contact the Recreation Department City and a staff member can help you in making a determination.

For each +Non-+Resident, staff will assess a fee of 10.-All + Non-+Residency fees are due once staff determines the total cost.

(2) Field Use Fees — <u>AllNon-Resident Leagues and OOrganizations</u> will be charged a-field use <u>and/or team fees</u> for each team in their league. Current fees are referenced in the <u>City's Fee Schedule_and are-which is incorporated into this pPolicy by reference. -<u>A cCopyies if the current Fee Schedule will be provided to each Non-Resident League's representatives prior to <u>each the season. The Fee Schedule is also and/orNon-Resident League on the City's website: www.MurrietaCA.gov.</u></u></u>

(3) Residency Rate Allowance/Field-Credits -

- Organizations that have <u>their own</u> facilities <u>that</u> they pay for and maintain within the City <u>of Murrieta.</u> (i.e., Non-City or <u>School District District</u> facilities) will be granted a <u>1_one percent (1%)</u>% residency rate allowance <u>up</u> to a maximum allowance of <u>5five percent (5%)</u>%.
- Organizations that offer an <u>accredited and regionally nationally recognized</u> advancement program that continues beyond <u>mere recreation and competitive travel ball—will be granted a</u> 3three percent (3%) residency rate allowance.
 - Residency rate allowances have a total cap of 5 five percent (5%).
- d. <u>Playing Schedules</u> The <u>RecreationCommunity Services</u> <u>Department_requests that leagues</u> and organizations <u>must_submit (for_for_both City_and_DistrictDistrict_facilities) to the City_copies of both practice and game schedules to the <u>RecreationCommunity_Services_Department</u> at least one (1) week before each respective start date. -By submitting <u>playing_game and practice_schedules</u> ahead of time, the <u>Maintenance Department_City_can determine the schedules for mowing, trimming, fertilizing, stocking restrooms, etc.- This will also enable the <u>RecreationCommunity_Services_Department</u> City to staff the parks and facilities accordingly.</u></u>

<u>City</u> <u>s</u>Staff requests that each league or organization notify <u>the the RecreationCommunity Services</u> <u>DepartmentCity</u> <u>when aprior to any</u> change to the playing schedule <u>occurs</u>.— League and organization representatives should understand that last minute changes are difficult to arrange and confirm; however, when sudden changes do arise, staff will make every effort to accommodate the situation.

e. <u>Practices - Team practice times will be allotted a maximum of two (2) hours per team per athletic field reservation.</u>

6. <u>FIELD USE AND OTHER FEES</u>

a. <u>Light Fees</u> - <u>Should leagues require field or court lighting</u>, <u>The City shall grant</u> each league is <u>with</u> -granted two access accounts for the control link website to schedule lights. For Should leagues require <u>field or court lighting for sites</u> without remote access <u>will require athe</u> league's representative <u>will need</u> to submit



a schedule to the City listing with the needed days and times needed to the Recreation Community Services Department. Please submit this request at least one week before the first date requested. -All light usage will be billed to the league by staff based on the currently approved fees. (See attachement appendix) For current fee visit the current fee schedule online. - Again, current fees are referenced in the City's Fee Schedule, which is incorporated into this Policy by reference. A copy of the current Fee Schedule will be provided to each League's representative prior to the season. The Fee Schedule is also available on the City's website: www.MurrietaCA.gov.

All <u>official</u> rosters are due by the first game. If rosters are not received by the second week of play, lights will not be turned on until they are received. -Once games begin, any field/court with lights will be considered game facilities first any field with lights will be considered usable for games until 10:00 p.m. on Monday through Saturday evenings. -Any league or organization assigned a field with lights and not using the lights for scheduled games <u>must-shall</u> notify the <u>RecreationCommunity Services</u> <u>DepartmentCity</u>, <u>when possible</u>, so that another league or organization may have the opportunity to schedule games as needed.- If no league or organization needs that field for games, then practices will be permitted on fields with lights. -For purposes of fields with lighting, <u>rResident |League or eOrganization practices or games</u> have priority over <u>nNon-rResident games</u>.

b. <u>Tournaments</u> - Any league <u>desiring to hosting</u> tournaments outside of league play must submit a request and will be required to pay <u>the</u>-tournament fees. -This is the only time in which two <u>nNon-rResident</u> teams may play against each other on a <u>Murrieta-City</u> field. Tournaments <u>may be requested but</u>-will only be approved based upon availability of fields. Tournament requests must be made at least <u>thirty (30)</u> days in advance and not more than one <u>(1)</u> year in advance. The <u>RecreationCommunity Services</u> <u>DepartmentCity</u> will take into consideration typical season dates when requests are received by outside organizations.

Any tournament taking place during times reserved for recreational use must submit a reservation request and appropriate fee(s) will apply. Recreational league practices/games have priority over tournaments.

<u>Please submit requests for tournament practices and games as soon as they become available to your league</u> or organization. This will ensure that staff handles everything as accurately as possible for continuous play.

c. <u>Field Use in General</u> – Athletic play must take place on the appropriate field, court, pitch, or area to maintain consistency in maintenance. If a particular field does not exist for a sport or should a league wish to use a field that is a-typical of that sport on a one-time basis (e.g. tournament play), it shall be at the discretion of the Field Allocation Supervisor to designate a field for play.

Mid-season tournaments taken place during times reserved for recreational use, must sumbit reservation request and appropriate fee will apply. Recreational league practices/games have priority over competitive tournaments.

Please submit requests for tournament practices and games as soon as they become available to your league or organization. This will ensure that staff handles everything as accurately as possible for continuous playOrganized activities such as (but not limited to) practices, games, clinics, trainings, try-outs, fitness groups, boot camps, and classes are by permit only. Whether activities are for-profit or not, groups must acquire a field permit to host activities on a City allocated field. This includes local businesses, travel ball teams, and educational groups.

7. FIELD PREP AND MAINTENANCE

<u>Staff encourages | League and organization representatives must immediately to contact and make the Recreation Community Services Department the City aware of any situation that might be a liability for participants. Presently, e Community Services District Department the City waters and drags each baseball and</u>



softball field twice a week, Monday through Friday, at no cost to the leagues or organizations. Only California Oaks Sports Park Fields #1 - #3 and Alta Murrieta Sports Park Ball Field are prepped on Saturdays.

- a. <u>Field Painting</u> All field paint must be water-<u>based_based</u>, and a Material Safety Data Sheet must be on file with <u>the Community Services DistrictCity</u>. -Any mixing, filling, or rinsing of paint must be done away from streams, creeks, and gutters, or should only be done on Decomposed Granite paths on a tarp or other containment device. <u>Waste water Wastewater</u> must be disposed of properly and not allowed to flow down gutters, streams, or creeks. -For any additional questions, or should there be a need to know a particular maintenance or mow schedule at a park, please call the Maintenance <u>Division epartment</u> at (951) 461-6124.
- b. Prep Leagues and organizations may prep and chalk their own baseball and softball fields, provided the RecreationCommunity Services DepartmentCity receives written notification outlining the scope of work each league or organization intends to perform. —Prep work on baseball and softball fields includes permitting leagues to bring their own equipment and material in order to rake or hand drag uneven areas as well as to chalk foul lines, coaches boxes, on-deck circles, and pitching circles.—The City prohibits dragging the field with any motorized vehicle Notice must be provided to staff at least two (2) weeks in advance on the request to use any motorized vehicle for field maintenance or game day prep. A schedule detailing dates and times for such activity must be submitted and subsequently approved by staff before leagues can perform the maintenance for field prep. —The City's Maintenance Department will review requests from leagues and organizations to water the fields on an as-needed basis.— Such requests must be in writing, listing the dates required.

Using chalk on turf areas is prohibited as it has a tendency to burn and destroy the turf. -Staff will deduct any such damage from the refundable deposits.

Please be aware that, ilf another league or organization has a field reserved immediately following any other league or organization, the first league or organization should must keep the field prep uniform enough so that both leagues or organizations may use that field.

8. HEALTH DEPARTMENT PERMIT AND CONCESSION STAND FEES

- a. Any league that has been assigned usage of any field or park concession stand must display a current copy of the Health Department Permit at the site. All permits will be obtained by the <u>organizer</u>. Community Services District and any associated fees will be passed onto the league or organization assigned that concession stand.
- b. The Recreation Community Services Department will issue a key to the concession stand to the assigned league or organization. At no time should anything be permanently affixed to the walls of the concession stand without prior written approval from the Recreation Community Services Department.
- c. All leagues and organizations must inform the Recreation Community Services Department, in writing, of their intent to sell food or beverages at any site owned or maintained by the City before any such sales.
- d. Any league or organization wishing to sell food (even prepackaged) at a facility without a concession stand must obtain a temporary Health Permit from the Riverside County Health Department. A copy of this permit must be submitted to the Recreation Community Services Department prior to any sales taking place.
- e. Restriction will not be limited to one group over another when a specific site may be in use by multiple leagues; all groups will have the same opportunity for fund raising; however, non-profit groups will have priority.



- f. A signed copy of the Community Services District Department's waiver, releasing the City of Murrieta from liability, must be returned to the Recreation Community Services Department prior to any food or beverage sales.
- g. If a league or organization is unsure as to what the regulations are related to food and beverage sales, please contact the Riverside Health Department at (951) 461-0284 should you have any direct questions.

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- h. All leagues and organizations assigned the use of a concession stand will be billed for the actual amount of electricity used. <u>Invoices Bills will coincide with the facility electric bill and will be based on kilowatt hours used.</u>
- i. All organizations utilizing a snack bar or hosting any <u>onsite</u> only sales must present a valid sellers permit and Murrieta business license.

9. 9.——CONCESSIONS, CONCESSION STAND USE, AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT GUIDELINES

Every organization will have the ability to vend or to host a snack bar each season to serve as a fundraising opportunity, as long as the City requirements are met. All leagues and organizations must inform the City, in writing, of their intent to sell food or beverages at any site owned or maintained by the City before any such sales commence.

- a. <u>If an organization is requesting to host a snack bar at a facility where there is an *on-site concession building, the following requirements must be met:</u>
- (1) The organization must first acquire a temporary health permit from the Riverside County Health Department. City staff will provide a letter to the requesting organization, which grants permission to said organization to seek a health permit for the facility in question.

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- (2) The organization must verify that its insurance will cover their usage of the snack bar and related activities. It is the sole responsibility of the organization to verify this information and provide proof of the same to the City prior to any sales of food or beverages.
- (1)(3) A signed copy of the City's waiver, releasing the City from liability, must be returned to the City prior to any food or beverage sales.
- (4) The organization must provide the City staff with a copy of their City of Murrieta Business License number and Seller's Permit.

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- (5) The City will issue a key to the concession stand to the assigned league or organization. At no time should anything be permanently affixed to the walls of the concession stand without prior written approval from the City.
- (2)(6) All leagues and organizations assigned the use of a concession stand will be billed for the actual amount of electricity used. Invoices will coincide with the facility electric bill and will be based on kilowatt hours used.
- (7) If awarded use of an on-site concession building, the requesting organization may not seek any additional food vendors to serve as a fundraising opportunity unless said organization is hosting a special event. Additional documentation is then needed, the details of which can be found on the application for reserving athletic fields.
- (3)(8) All leagues and organizations must clean and maintain the concession stand on a regular basis to ensure that its Health Department permit remains in good standing. The guidelines for maintaining food preparation facilities can be found on the Riverside County's Department of Environmental Health website at www.rivcoeh.org.
- b. If there are two (2) competing organizations present at a facility requesting use of an on-site, City-maintained concession building, City staff will grant permission to each league to the best of the City's ability; however, concession buildings may not be suitable for two (2) competing organizations to operate out of during the same season due to equipment and building layouts. The competing organizations would split the concession building use with each organization occupying the concession stand for a season at a time. For example, Organization A operates the snack bar during the spring season and Organization B operates the snack bar during the fall season. During the season that an organization does not have access to the concession building, the organization will be permitted to set-up a temporary snack bar on-site in a City approved location during game activities.
- c. If an organization is requesting to host a snack bar at a facility where there is not an on-site concession building, the following requirements need to be met:
- (1) The organization will need to acquire a temporary health permit, even for vending prepackaged items, from the Riverside County Health Department. City staff will provide a letter to the requesting organization granting permission to said organization to seek a health permit for the facility in question.

(2) There are two options:

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- i. The organization will be able to seek one (1) food vendor to serve as its snack bar for the entire season. If the organization is using an outside food vendor, it forfeits the opportunity for an additional snack bar that is hosted by the organization.
- ii. The organization would be permitted to run a more limited concession area (outside of a permanent structure) providing all Heath Department guidelines are met.
- (3) The organization will need to verify that its insurance will cover its usage of the snack bar activities and it is the sole responsibility of the organization to verify this information. If the requesting organization is using an outside food vendor, the requesting organization must provide City staff with the food vendor's insurance that meets the City's requirements and a release agreement from the food vendor.
- (2)(4) A copy of the City's waiver, releasing the City of Murrieta from liability, must be signed by authorized representatives of the organization and returned to the City prior to any food or beverage sales.



- (3)(5) The organization must provide City staff with a copy of its Murrieta Business License number and Seller's Permit. If the requesting organization is using an outside food vendor, then the requesting organization will need to provide City staff with a copy of the food vendor's City of Murrieta Business License number and Seller's permit.
- (6) The organization may only set-up a temporary snack-bar in a City approved location. Failure to set up the snack bar in an approved location shall forfeit the league's ability to host a snack bar for the remainder of the season.
- c. <u>Electricity for temporary snack bars must be provided by the requesting organization. Any equipment that will be brought on-site must be approved by City staff before final permission for said use is granted.</u>

10. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

- a. League and organization representatives must make their league or organization, and all those associated with their league or organization, aware of the rules, regulations, and guidelines that are listed on the back of the Athletic Field Reservation Request form.
- b. Keep in mind that the parks, and the facilities within the parks, are designed for everyone's enjoyment. -Please ensure that the next user finds the area in good condition.
- c. In order Ffor the City to maintain the fields in the best possible condition, please rotate the more commonly used areas during practices.
- d. Fields may be closed at the discretion of the City's <u>or</u> the <u>District's Maintenance Division</u> epartment in the event of unforeseen maintenance situations or excessive rain. -Staff will provide notification to league or organization representatives as soon as possible. (See rain closure appendix) For the latest on field conditions, please check the Field Condition landing page on the City's website at www.murrietaca.gov/502/field-conditions or call the Rainout Hotline at (951) 461-6101.
- e. Please submit restroom requests <u>for specific opening and closing times</u> for tournaments, practices, and games as soon as they become available to your organization. -This will ensure that staff handles everything as accurately as possible for continuous play.
- f. <u>Every attempt is made by City staff to Community Services District staff</u> opens restrooms at Mapleton <u>Park</u> and Alta Murrieta Sports Park <u>by at 8:00 a.m.</u>, at Los Alamos Hills Sports Park, California Oaks Sports Park and Copper Canyon Park <u>by at 7:00 a.m.</u>, and at Mira Mosa Park by 8:30 a.m. on weekends.