



Shoreline Park Athletic Fields

Rules & Regulations

General Park Information

The City of Gulf Breeze values all individuals, residents, profit, and non-profit organizations that want to use City Facilities. Athletic fields are available for rent by individuals or organizations, and are available on a first come, first serve basis for individuals with no charge if not already reserved. Having field lights turned on will require a fee and organized sports will require a rental of the fields.

The Shoreline Park Athletic Field hours are:

Monday – Saturday 7:30am-10:00pm

Sunday 12:30-6:00pm

Inquiries to reserve a field can be submitted online at www.gulfbreezeparksandrecreation.com or by contacting the Facilities Coordinator, Monday-Friday from 8am-4pm by phone at 850.934.5140 or email at mcorrell@gulfbreezefl.gov.

Field Information

The Parks & Recreation department manages 10 athletic grass fields, 1 artificial turf field, an 18-hole disc golf course, 1 skate park, 1 outdoor basketball court, 10 tennis courts, 4 pickleball courts, 4 beach volleyball courts, and a multi-use cage facility at Shoreline Park North. The Shoreline Park Athletic fields are designed for multi-sport usage.

- Fields 1-8: softball, baseball, cheer, and soccer
- Fields 9-10 & Turf: lacrosse, tackle football, flag football, cheer, and soccer
- Multi-use cages: softball, baseball, football, and cheer

Field Rules

All participants must abide by park and facility rules; respect the facility, staff and park patrons. Should problems arise with any group, the City of Gulf Breeze Parks & Recreation Department reserves the right to refuse service. If you see someone

breaking rules or any safety concerns, report the problem to the Parks & Recreation staff. Violation of any rules may result in citation or removal from facilities.

Any tents placed on park property must have prior approval from Parks & Recreation staff. Stakes in the ground are not allowed on any fields.

Alcohol is not permitted in Gulf Breeze Parks & Facilities unless permits are obtained by the City of Gulf Breeze and the Florida Department of Revenue.

No tobacco products, smoking, vaping, or open flames.

No pets allowed on the fields or courts. Pets must be on leash through the rest of the facility.

No golfing, shot putting, discus or javelin throwing.

No painting, chalking, using tape or other adhesive.

No bikes, scooters, golf carts, or motor vehicles allowed on the fields or courts.

Fields and courts are available on a first come, first served basis unless already reserved. To guarantee a time slot or book in advance a reservation fee is required.

No reservations will be made on Sundays, and the fields will exclusively be available for use on a first come, first served basis by individuals – Exceptions may be made for tournaments and special events.

All organizations wishing to schedule an event, practice, or game must have permission from Parks & Recreation department and may be subject to user fees and contract requirements.

Permission to use fields may be revoked at any time by a Parks & Recreation representative due to weather conditions or field conditions.

Users will assure that all garbage or other waste is picked up and properly disposed of prior to vacating the facility. Leave the area in the same condition or cleaner than you found it.

Any violation of the above rules could cause usage privileges to be revoked.

Athletic Programs

GBSA Youth Sports (4-14): The Gulf Breeze Sports association offers youth recreational sports for children aged 4-14. GBSA offers baseball, softball, basketball, soccer, cheer, tackle and flag football, lacrosse, and volleyball. The organization is run by a volunteer board and has an admin located on site at the Community Center for help with scheduling and registration.

Tennis/Pickleball Lessons & Leagues (Youth & Adult): The Gulf Breeze Community Center's tennis/pickleball instruction and management is run through Tighten Up Tennis. Lessons are available for youths and adults. Two leagues are run through this

facility; Greater Pensacola Ladies Tennis League and United States Tennis Association. For lesson or league questions, the on-site tennis pro can be contacted.

Adult Softball League (18+): The Parks & Recreation department hosts an Interfaith Softball League each summer for adults only. The league lasts 6 weeks and each team is guaranteed at least 6 games.

Priority Use (GBSA)

City sponsored programs and events will be given priority use of the fields. GBSA has first priority usage during each respective sports season after that. Club teams and individuals may rent or utilize the field space based on remaining availability after GBSA schedules have been set.

Parks & Recreation may limit the amount of field space allotted to club sports programs to ensure that the recreational youth programs have adequate field conditions and availability. No more than 25% of prime time booking hours (Monday – Friday 5:00-9:00pm) can be rented for the purpose of club sports or private lessons.

Club Sports & Instruction

Organized sports or private instruction will require a rental of the fields or multi-use cages. If the youth organization provides insurance coverage following city guidelines and sets up a contract with Parks & Recreation, they may qualify for a discounted Club Sports rate for the rentals of fields, cages, and indoor facilities.

Rental fees must be paid at the time of reservation or in advance. The fields or lanes will not be scheduled until payment is received.

Tournaments

A Tournament is defined as a minimum of (4) four teams and a series of games that make up a single unit of competition.

All Tournaments require a non-refundable reservation fee. If fees have not been paid by the end of the 30 days after the event, the Responsible Party will no longer be considered in good standing with the City. The City may then void or require upfront total payment for any future contracts. To be back in good standing with the City, the Responsible Party must prove two successful seasons of outstanding payments on time.

Reservation Fees are due upfront at the time of the reservation and will go toward the final cost of the tournament. If the reservation is canceled for any reason, the reservation fee will be forfeited. Some rentals require upfront payments for the entire rental at the time of booking to secure the dates.

Security may be required for any event on City property and is at the sole discretion of the City of Gulf Breeze. Security personnel must be licensed and insured. Gulf Breeze Police Department Officers may be hired at the standard hourly rate with a 4-hour minimum.

The Gulf Breeze Parks & Recreation Department will work closely with the Responsible Party. In the case of inclement weather, the final decision of canceling an event will be the Responsible Party's decision—unless otherwise deemed unsafe by the City Manager, Parks & Recreation Director, or designee.

Note: Due to uncontrollable weather situations, The City of Gulf Breeze Parks and Recreation Department will work with the Responsible Party based on staff costs, hourly rates, and reservation deposits. For tournaments, if all games are canceled the day before by 6 pm, there will be no fees charged for that day. If games are canceled by 11 am the day of, due to bad weather, the Responsible Party will be charged six (6) hours for that day.

Insurance

Insurance is required for all contracted Club Sports Organizations and Tournaments.

A minimum of \$1 million Liability and \$2 million Aggregate is required for these events. The Certificate of Insurance must list the City of Gulf Breeze as additional insured and list the event site by name and address. The insurance Certificate must be specific/detailed, and must be provided to the Gulf Breeze Parks & Recreation Department a minimum of seven business days before the organization takes possession of the site/facility.

Field Closures

The Parks & Recreation department reserves the right to suspend play on fields for maintenance and safety at any time.

If lightning is detected within a 10-mile radius, play will be suspended and everyone should seek shelter. Play will not resume until at least 30 minutes after the last sign of thunder or lightning.

The Parks and Recreation Department may enforce a cap on the number of hours a field can be booked each season in order to prevent severe damage to the turf and ensure reasonable field conditions. Fields 1-10 will be closed for maintenance each year during the winter season for maintenance.