

# **Township of Lopatcong**

## **Athletic Field Fee Schedule and Group Definitions**

### **1. Fees for athletic fields:**

- A. Groups I and III: No fee.
- B. Group IIA: \$10 per hour per field, or \$100 per season, whichever is the lesser.
- C. Group IIB: \$25 per hour per field, or \$250 per season, whichever is the lesser.
- D. Group IIC: \$50 per hour per field, or \$500 per season, whichever is the lesser.
- E. Group IV, for-profit corporations and businesses: \$250 per day per field.
- F. Group IV, nonprofit religious, charitable or educational organizations or institutions: \$50 per day per field.
- G. Group V, tournaments: The Recreation Director shall obtain estimates of costs to be incurred by the Township as a result of the use of the Township fields, including, but not limited to, costs to be incurred by the Police and Public Works Departments. The fee shall be the total of the estimates plus \$100 per day per field. The \$100 per day per field portion of the fee may be adjusted for services or equipment to be provided to the Township, including, but not limited to, recreation equipment or instructional services. Such an adjustment shall be in the sole discretion of the Recreation Director.
- H. Group V, camps: The fee shall be \$5 per camp participant, plus \$50 per day per field. The \$50 per day per field portion of the fee may be adjusted for services or equipment to be provided to the Township, including, but not limited to, recreation equipment or instructional services. Such an adjustment shall be in the sole discretion of the Recreation Director.

### **2. Fees for Basketball Courts:**

- A. Groups I, II and III: No fee.
- B. Group IV, for-profit corporations and businesses: \$50 per day.
- C. Group IV, nonprofit religious, charitable or educational organizations or institutions: \$20 per day.
- D. Group V, tournaments: The Recreation Director shall obtain estimates of costs to be incurred by the Township as a result of the use of the Township fields, including, but not limited to, costs to be incurred by the Police and Public Works Departments. The fee shall be the total of the estimates plus \$50 per day. The \$50 per day may be adjusted for services or equipment to be provided to the Township, including, but not limited to, recreation equipment or instructional services. Such an adjustment shall be in the sole discretion of the Recreation Director.
- E. Group V, camps: The fee shall be \$5 per camp participant, plus \$50 per day. The \$50 per day fee may be adjusted for services or equipment to be provided to the Township,

including, but not limited to, recreation equipment or instructional services. Such an adjustment shall be in the sole discretion of the Recreation Director.

**3. Security deposits:**

For groups IV and V, the applicant shall post a security deposit or bond in an amount not to exceed \$5000, as determined by the Recreation Director based on the intensity of the use and likelihood of damage to Township facilities. Said security deposit may be utilized by the Township to repair any damage to Township facilities resulting from applicant's use of the fields. Release of the security deposit shall be approved by the Recreation Director.

**4. Groups run by Township volunteers will receive a 50% discount off of the calculated fee rates.**

If a group is run by a Township volunteer(s), and that group is assessed a fee for field usage, that group will receive a 50% discount off of the calculated fee rates as outlined in Sections 1 and 2 of this resolution.

**5. Fees and security deposits can be adjusted or waived at the discretion of Mayor and Council**

If the applicant wishes to have their fees and security deposits adjusted or waived, they may petition Mayor and Council to do so.

This resolution can be updated at any time if the need exists to permanently change any of the fees included within.

## **Group Definitions:**

**Group I:** Recreation and Parks directly sponsored activities. These activities include programs run by the Recreation and Parks Department, such as day camps, after-school programs, day programs, special events and seasonal sporting activities.

**Group II:** teams in established leagues. These groups are independent organizations outside of the LAA that have been established to serve the recreational interest of the participants.

**Group IIA** shall be teams with Lopatcong residents being at least 75% of the host team participants.

**Group IIB** shall be teams with Lopatcong residents being at least 20% but less than 75% of the host team participants.

**Group IIC** shall be teams with less than 20% of the participants being Lopatcong residents.

**Group III:** school events and teams.

**Group IIIA** shall be Lopatcong school events or teams.

**Group IIIB** shall be Phillipsburg High School events or teams. Generally, the Township is not responsible for providing field usage to schools.

**Group IV:** private groups. These groups are made up of residents of Lopatcong or businesses located in Lopatcong who request the use of facilities on an occasional basis when space is available. At least 50% of the host group participants must live or work full-time in Lopatcong.

**Group V:** privately operated programs. Township facilities can be made available for organizations, camps, leagues, or groups for the purpose of providing recreational services to youth or adults. This group includes instructional activities that extend beyond one day and for which a separate fee or tuition is charged.