



Wheaton Park District

Outdoor Youth Soccer Field Use Guidelines



We are all committed to provide high quality, safe playing surfaces for our multi-use athletic facilities outdoor. We need the help and cooperation of all user groups in protecting these natural playing surfaces from excessive damage due to game and practice activities. The field conditions must be monitored and enforced so we can safely enjoy them year round. If any of the following conditions happen to occur, scheduled games and practices should be canceled or postponed.

1. Standing water on the field of play.
2. Soil Saturation.
 - a. Walking on grass causes water to surface
 - b. One inch or more of rain 48 hours prior to scheduled game or practice accompanied by steady rain on game or practice day.
 - c. Steady downpour of rain on game or practice day which could cause damage to turf or injury to participants.
3. Extreme drought conditions where 50% of the playing field has turned dead or dying.
4. Audible thunder or visible lightning. (Wait 30mins after the last lighting and thunder)
5. Darkness

Safety includes the protection of our outdoor surroundings, as well as the participants. All coaches, referees, and soccer staff are responsible for insuring the safety of field playing conditions at all times during scheduled play.