Nether Providence Township Field Use Policy

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Permit Requirement:

- All individuals or organizations interested in utilizing any field for an organized event within Nether Providence Township must obtain a permit from the Township Office prior to usage.
- An Organized Event is defined as any event involving **15 or more people**.
- A completed application must be filed <u>two weeks prior to the requested event date</u>. The permit is not valid until any applicable fees associated with the permit are paid. The approved permit is required to be on site during and throughout the reservation time. There is a 6- hour maximum time limit.
- Failure to obtain a permit may result in removal of the individuals or organization from Township fields as well as fines or penalties.

Applicable Fees (applicable for all Fields in NPT except for Gouley Park's Turf Field - see section below):

- **Recognized Township Groups:** Usage of the fields is free for officially recognized Township Groups which have agreements in place with the Township. As of the date of this Policy, the following Groups fall into this category:
 - o NPAA Baseball and Softball
 - NPAA Soccer
 - SRA Soccer
- **Nether Providence-based Non-profit Organizations:** Nether Providence based non-profit organization may utilize the fields free of charge but must seek approval from the Township by applying for a permit.
- Outside Non-profit Organizations: Non-profit organizations based outside of Nether
 Providence must seek approval from the Township by applying for a permit and also pay the
 fees assessed by the Township before the event. These organizations are eligible for a
 discounted rate as may be established by resolution adopted by the Board of
 Commissioners from time to time. Please contact the Township Office for pricing details.
- **Private Organizations:** Private, for-profit organizations, whether located inside or outside of Nether Providence Township must seek approval from the Township by applying for a permit and also paying the fees assessed by the Township before the event. The fee will be \$200.00 for the first hour, \$25.00 for each additional hour for field usage. This fee may be revised by resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners from time to time.
- **Please note:** Organizations located in the Township will always have priority over Outside Organizations.

Applicable Fees – Gouley Park Turf Field:

- Organizations, whether Non-Profit or For-Profit will be subject to fees to utilize the Gouley Park Turf Field.
- The fee will be \$200.00 for the first hour, \$25.00 for each additional hour for field usage. Non-Profit organizations are eligible for a discounted rate that may be established by

resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners from time to time. Please contact the Township Offices for pricing details.

Township Manager's Discretion:

All decisions regarding field usage permits and pricing tiers are at the discretion of the Township Manager.

Factors considered in decision -making include, but are not limited to:

- Wear and tear on the facility.
- Number of attendees
- Noise levels
- Hours of use
- Impact on surrounding community and environment

Application Process:

- Interested parties must complete a <u>Facilities Usage Permit Application</u> available at the Township Office or on the Township website.
- Applications must be submitted at least two weeks prior to the requested usage date.
- The Township Office will review applications and respond within a reasonable time frame.
- Approved applicants will receive a permit outlining the terms and conditions of field usage.
- Refunds will not be issued but we will be happy to offer a reschedule date.

Compliance and Enforcement:

- Permit holders are responsible for ensuring compliance with all terms and conditions outlined in the permit.
- Permit holders must adhere to all rules associated with a specific field.
- Township staff may conduct periodic inspections to ensure compliance with regulations.
- Non-compliance may result in revocation of the permit and future denial of field usage privileges.

Contact Information:

For inquiries regarding field usage permits and pricing, please contact: Nether Providence Township Office 214 Sykes Lane Wallingford, PA 19086

Note: This policy is subject to revision and updates at the discretion of the Township Manager and/or Township Board of Commissioners.