

The City of Edmonton maintains thousands of sports fields. Ball diamonds, cricket and rugby pitches, multi-sport parks and combo fields -- we look after them all, and there's much more to it than mowing grass.

Booking

To reserve sports fields for games, practices and league play throughout the season, complete the request form at <u>edmonton.ca/sportsfields</u>. Sports fields that haven't been reserved are available on a first come/first served drop-in basis.

For more information, call 780-442-4548 or email sportsfieldbookings@edmonton.ca.

Be a good field user

- Treat sports fields and other field users with respect, and encourage others to be respectful as well. Drinking alcohol, urinating on the field, smoking and littering are all prohibited on City fields.
- Fields are closed periodically for maintenance or rest periods, which can prevent longer closures later on. Signs are posted on closed fields. Please respect these closures.
- Saturated fields should not be used after heavy rain or in wet conditions, as damage and/or ongoing muddy conditions may result. Ask yourself:
 - ☐ Is the water pooling or running off the field?
 - ☐ When you step on the field, does water pool around your foot?

If the answer to either of these questions is "yes," don't use the field; it's easier to prevent damage than to repair it. Contact the Sports Field Bookings office to request a refund if the field is in unplayable condition.

- Respect extends beyond the field. Many sports fields are located in residential neighbourhoods, so please be a polite guest: Limit unnecessary noise, and park only in areas where signs indicate parking is permitted. Not enough parking? Consider taking transit or carpooling with teammates.
- Speak up. If you see a damaged field or witness a violation, report it by calling 311.

Is your field closed?

Field closures are indicated at <u>edmonton.ca/sportsfields</u>, under "Notifications." Remember to check the field status before heading out to your game or practice.

Fields can be closed for several reasons:

- Maintenance:
- Weather -- using a wet or muddy field can cause serious damage;
- Rest and rejuvenation -- this allows the soil and grass to regenerate without the strain of constant use. Rest and rejuvenation can help prevent longer maintenance closures.