

Sports Field Use Guidelines

The Carol Stream Park District is committed to provide high quality, safe-playing surfaces for our multi-use athletic facilities, but needs the help and consideration of all user groups in protecting the turf from excessive damage due to game and practice activities. The turf grass is the safety surface for the athletic fields.

If any of the following conditions occur, ***scheduled games and practices must be canceled or postponed.***

1. Standing water on the field of play.
2. Soil saturation:
 - Walking on turf causes water to surface
 - Walking on turf on heels causes indentations
 - One inch or more of rain 48 hours prior to scheduled game or practice accompanied by steady rain on game or practice day.
 - 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 surface has turned dormant.
4. Visibility (darkness)
5. Audible thunder or visible lightning.

All coaches, referees and umpires are responsible for insuring the safety of field playing conditions at all times during scheduled play. **Safety implies protection of the resource, as well as the participants.**