

# Athletic Field Use and Allocation Policy

The policy provides for an equitable allocation, safe and responsible use and proper care of sports fields.



# Reasons to Update Policy

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Strengthen Priority for Recreational Play

Define Partnership Status

- Better define requirements to become and remain a Partner

Address Youth Sports Changes

- Increases in travel / club sports
- Increase in development academies
- Increase in rental demand

# Highlights of Updated Policy

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## Focus on Recreational Play

- Create definitions to distinguish between recreational play and competitive play
- Create a roadmap for Partners to better operate their volunteer recreational sports organizations
- Clarify the application and allocation process
- Create field rule compliance process

## Address Increased Demand from Travel/Club Sports

- Created a Fullerton Competitive category with two tiers
- Reduced field reservation limits for rental groups

# Policy Review Timeline

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**March** - Policy reviewed by Partners

**April** - An updated draft policy was posted online for public review

**April to June** - City staff met with Partner groups, Commissioners and public to gather feedback

**June** - Policy was reviewed at Parks and Recreation Commission meeting

**July to August** - City staff met with Partner groups, Commissioners and public to gather feedback

**September** - Parks and Recreation Commission recommended approval of policy

Staff has met with several cities including Brea, Costa Mesa, Newport Beach and Placentia to discuss and compare sports policy issues.

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Recommendation:

Approve the Athletic Field Use and Allocation Policy.



Questions?