

# LAFRENIERE TURF RULES

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## INTRODUCTION

Louisiana Fire SC is very excited to partner with Jefferson Parish and JPRD on bringing the first FIFA Quality Artificial Turf Fields to the Greater New Orleans Area. **In order to protect the field surface and maximize the longevity of the facility, Louisiana Fire SC and Lafreniere Park ask that every Fire team official, player, parent, spectator and their respective opponents be aware of the following rules and regulations for the use of the artificial turf fields.**

## GENERAL:

1. The Turf facility use must be monitored 100% of the time by Louisiana Fire Staff, Lafreniere Park Rangers, and/or JPRD Staff and Security detail.
2. All turf usage must be authorized by Louisiana Fire SC.
3. Please report any unauthorized usage and/or violations of facility rules to [fields@lafiresoccer.com](mailto:fields@lafiresoccer.com)
4. Usage of fields may be revoked if there is failure to follow facility rules. A fee will be assessed for any unreasonable damage or persistent infringement of policies to a player, coach, or team.
5. Louisiana Fire SC reserves the right to cancel any training, games, or events and/or restrict access to the turf facility due to emergency, severe weather, vandalism, poor playing conditions, or damages that could cause safety concerns.
6. Misrepresented and/or unauthorized use of the turf facility is subject to revocation of future turf access for individuals and teams.

## **SCHEDULED USE and TIME**

1. Games and/or practices will not start before 8AM nor exceed 8:30 PM, inline with Lafreniere Park operating hours.
2. Weeknight lighting for fields are on scheduled timers and will turn off at 8:40PM at the conclusion of Louisiana Fire SC training.
3. Teams and Players may enter the facility prior to training and games for warm-ups when a coach is present to supervise. Players should wait to enter the turf surface while earlier sessions and games are on-going.
4. Teams must courteously exit the turf surface upon conclusion of their game or training session in order to clear the fields for the next game/session.
5. Players and Parents must only enter and leave the facility through the gates.

## TURF and EQUIPMENT CARE

### FOR COACHES:

1. Only freestanding field markers and sports equipment may be used on the turf surfaces. **NO stakes, posts, poles, or markers of any kind may be driven into the turf.**
2. Marking, painting or taping is strictly prohibited.
3. Substances that may stain the turf, such as ointments or sunscreen must be kept at player areas or outside the turf area in grassy areas only. **NO SPORTS DRINKS ALLOWED (gatorade, powerade etc.)**
4. The goals and nets provided are not to be dragged. Wheels have been provided for the Large goals.

### FOR PLAYERS:

1. Footwear on artificial turf fields must be molded rubber cleats, turf shoes or running shoes. ***Metal cleats and screw-in plastic cleats are not permitted.*** Footwear that has long blades, studs, or heels can puncture the turf which can cause unnecessary wear and tear.
2. **NO FOOD, SUNFLOWER SEEDS, OR CHEWING GUM ALLOWED INSIDE THE FACILITY**
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## FOR PARENTS:

1. Spectator **Chairs are not allowed on the turf surface. Tents are not allowed on the turf surface.** All tents and chairs must be on grassy areas only.
2. Wheeled devices, including but not limited to motorized vehicles, bikes, wagons, skates, scooters, and skateboards are not allowed on the turf unless ADA Compliant and advanced notice is given to Louisiana Fire SC.
3. Animals are NOT ALLOWED inside the facility, just as is policy at every other field.
4. **NO FOOD, SUNFLOWER SEEDS, CHEWING GUM, OR TOBACCO PRODUCTS ALLOWED INSIDE THE FACILITY**
5. **NO GRILL OR OPEN COOKING/HEATING STRUCTURES ALLOWED INSIDE THE FACILITY**
6. **NO ALCOHOL, SMOKING, OR VAPING INSIDE THE FACILITY.**