

PARK RENTALS – Frequently Asked Questions

What is the irrigation/mow schedule?

Our Parks team is on a weekly mow schedule for fields in the District. Irrigation is turned off when field rentals are scheduled. The Parks team is notified of reservations that impact irrigation by Thursday morning of each week.

Are there lights & how much do they cost?

There are several fields that have lights, and they can be provided for a fee. If you need to request the use of lights during your field reservation, you will need to pay an additional fee for the lights, which is required to be paid upfront at the time you reserve the facility. Lights schedules are maintained by the Recreation Department and no lights are permitted past 10:00 p.m. Please note that not all fields are equipped with lights.

Am I allowed to sell food/have food vendors on-site?

The District does not allow for any sales of food or for food vendors to be on District property without prior written consent. Any vending or sales requests need to be submitted for review and approval by District staff and authorized by the General Manager for approval. Submission of this request must also be accompanied by appropriate documents for operation in the County of Sacramento (business license, sellers permit, food handler certification, etc.) No requests are guaranteed approval. Send your request to the District. All requests must include the date, time, event location, type of vendor, appropriate paperwork, and set-up location.

Can I bring my own portable toilet for my rental days?

Some parks have restrooms on-site and are open to the public from sunrise to sunset. If a customer books a park or gazebo with no restroom on-site, they are welcome to rent a portable toilet. All portable toilets must be picked up no later than the next business day after your event. All portable toilets must be placed on a flat concrete surface and not on the grass and location for the portable toilet must be approved prior to the event by the District. The District is not responsible for any damage that may occur to the portable toilet. It is the customer's responsibility to make sure it gets picked up the next day after the event to avoid any damage and/or additional charges.

Can I bring a bounce house, water slide, or any large-scale entertainment to my reservation?

All large-scale entertainment needs to be submitted and reviewed for approval. No request is guaranteed for approval and is at the discretion of the General Manager. Send your request to the Recreation Supervisor overseeing Park Rentals for review via email. All requests must include the date, time, event location, type of vendor and set-up location.

Inflatable water slides are not permitted at any of our parks. The excess water causes damage to the grass and surrounding areas.

Any approved large-scale entertainment and/or the use of inflatable bounce houses require a certificate of liability insurance naming Southgate Recreation & Park District as additionally insured for a minimum of \$1,000,000.

The District has list of approved vendors, and their contact information can be made available upon request.

Can I have access to a nearby facility for restroom use?

The District cannot authorize the use of facility restrooms for park rentals. Restrooms located in facilities are limited specifically to program users or staff on-site. Outside of hours of operation, there is no guarantee of staff on-site and facilities remain locked and armed during non-operational times.

Can I rent pickleball courts?

Typically, no. The District may consider on a case-by-case basis and at the discretion of the General Manager pickleball court rentals for organized tournaments only. Otherwise, the courts are on a first come, first served basis. Any requests for rental of pickleball courts shall be sent to the Recreation Supervisor overseeing Park Rentals to be routed appropriately. All requests must include the date, time, location, event type and any information related to the tournament.

What bases are permitted at the fields for use?

All fields are set up for pegged bases.

Can I rent bases from the District?

Yes, we do have bases available for rent for additional flat fee. They can be picked up and dropped off with the Recreation Supervisor overseeing Park rentals, located at 4000 Fruitridge Road, inside the Fruitridge Community Center.

Can I use amplified sound during my rental?

All amplified sounds requests (DJs, live bands, sound systems) need to be submitted and reviewed for approval. No request is guaranteed for approval and is at the discretion of the General Manager. Send your request to the Recreation Supervisor overseeing Park Rentals for review via email. All requests must include the date, time, event location, type of sounds amplification and purpose. Sound amplification must be approved prior to receiving the permit.

Once approved by General Manager for sound amplification, all permittees must follow Sacramento County noise ordinances and requirements; no noise permitted past 10:00 p.m.

Where can I find more information regarding Park Rentals?

All park rental information can be found on the District website at southgaterecandpark.gov and in the Park Rental Guidelines, available on our website or at one of the community centers: Pat O'Brien Community Center, Jose P. Rizal Community Center, and Fruitridge Community Center.