



**BOROUGH OF NORTHVALE
County of Bergen
State of New Jersey**

ORDINANCE #1095-2024

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 135 PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS,
ARTICLE II ATHLETIC FIELD, § 135-15 Permits. OF THE BOROUGH CODE TO
AMEND REGULATIONS FOR THE USE AND PERMITTING OF ATHLETIC
FIELDS**

WHEREAS, the Borough deems it in the Borough's best interests to further regulate the use of athletic fields to avoid conflict and set forth standards for use of the athletic fields; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that Chapter 135, Article II § 135-15 Permits, is hereby added and replaces the current ordinance:

Section 1.

§ 135-15 Permits.

A.

The Mayor and Council hereby authorize the ~~Northvale Recreation Committee~~ **Borough Clerk** to issue permits to all regular users of the recreational facilities for the purpose of ~~softball games~~ **sporting events, camps, and social events**. Such permits shall be in a form approved by said ~~Recreation Committee~~ **Borough Clerk**, and shall indicate thereon the dates and times that the applicant is permitted to utilize the recreational facilities. **Applicants are required to provide a Hold Harmless Agreement in a form prescribed by the Northvale Recreation Committee or the Borough Clerk and shall provide a certificate of insurance specifically naming the Borough of Northvale as an additional insured providing general liability, bodily injury and property damage coverage with minimum limits of liability of not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit.**

B.

No regular user, defined herein, shall utilize the recreational facilities of the Borough of Northvale for the purposes of ~~softball competition~~ **sporting events, camps, and social events** after the effective date of this Article unless they have first obtained a permit from the Borough Clerk.



C. Priority of Use.

1. When determining the priority of use of athletic fields and recreational facilities, priority shall first be given to activities arranged by the Northvale Recreation Committee or the Borough Clerk. Secondly priority will be given to activities arranged by the Northvale Board of Education.

2. Limitations on Usage. Field usage shall be limited to a maximum of eight (8) reservations per year, unless specifically approved by the Borough Clerk.

3. Usage fees.

a. The fee for field usage is \$75 per usage with a maximum usage of four (4) hours.

b. The fee for usage of the gazebo shall be \$50 for up to the first hour and \$25 for each hour or part thereof thereafter for a limit of four (4) hours.

c. The fee for picnic and event permits for the use of one field shall be \$75 for up to four hours per field.

d. The fee for summer camp and sports camp shall be \$10 per week per participant for the first 50 participants and \$15 for each participant over 50 participants per week.

e. Non-profit organizations shall not be charged for the first two usages for each month.

4. Responsibility to leave the recreational areas clean and free of debris.

Anyone obtaining a permit hereunder shall have the responsibility to leave the athletic field or facility clean and free of debris. Any violator of this provision shall be subject to a fine of \$200.00. Upon a second violation, the permit holder shall no longer have the right or ability to obtain a permit for a period of one year thereafter. All fines must be paid before the permit holder may receive another permit.

SECTION 2. All ordinances not in conflict with the foregoing shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by Law.



Joseph E. McGuire

Joseph E. McGuire, Mayor

Attest:

Frances M. Weston

Frances Weston
Municipal Clerk

Introduced: August 14, 2024

2nd Reading: September 11, 2024

Effective: September 13, 2024

