

**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG  
RECREATION COMMISSION**

**FIELD AND FACILITY PERMIT APPLICATION**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ SPORT/EVENT \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Organization, Team, Club Etc. \_\_\_\_\_

Profit \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Profit \_\_\_\_\_

FIELD USE \_\_\_\_\_ FEE

*Pavilion Rental;	
Resident	\$50.00 per event
Non-Resident / Commercial	\$100.00 per event
Port-A-John Rental	\$150.00 (includes delivery)
*Mobus / Phillips Fields:	
Sport Programs	\$15.00 per person/week or program
Events (Non-Profit) – Resident	\$50.00 per event
Non-Resident	\$150.00 per event
*Gazebo:	
Resident	\$50.00 per event
Non-Resident	\$100.00 per event
*Seniors Room:	
Residents/Non-Profit	No Charge
Profit Organizations	\$25.00 per hour / \$100.00 minimum

All Watchung Based Non-Profit Sports Programs, Government or School Based Events  
and Non-Profit Fund Raising Events Free of Charge

All fees include removal of bagged garbage and access to electricity, if needed.

FIELD / FACILITY REQUESTED \_\_\_\_\_

DATES \_\_\_\_\_

TIMES \_\_\_\_\_

**The following items must be received prior to an approval of a field permit;**

- 1) Signed Facility/Field Use Policies and Lease Agreement
- 2) Signed Hold-Harmless Agreement
- 3) Signed AED and Lightning Detection Form (On Phillip's Field)
- 4) Insurance certificate (See Checklist for requirements below)
- 5) Corporate or LLC Acknowledgment (When applicable)
- 6) A copy of the Rutgers's certification card(s) for coaches and assistant coaches
- 7) A check payable to the Borough of Watchung when applicable.

The Recreation Commission is requesting that all applications are received at least 5 days prior to an event or program for processing. Thank you in advance for your cooperation during this process. Please contact the recreation department if you need more information or have any questions. Linda Monetti, Recreation Coordinator  
(908)756-0080 Ext. 210 [lmonetti@watchungnj.gov](mailto:lmonetti@watchungnj.gov)

Please fax to (908)757-7027 or mail to the following address: Borough of Watchung  
Recreation Department  
15 Mountain Blvd.  
Watchung, NJ 07069

### **CHECKLIST FOR CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE**

- The "Insured" must read the same on **ALL** forms.
- The Insurance Company must be listed under "Insurer Affording Coverage"
- Type of insurance must be "Commercial or Business Liability"
- The policy number and effective and expiration dates must be listed
- The event or program must fall within the effective and expiration dates
- The minimum limit of liability is \$1,000,000 listed next to "Each Occurrence"
- Under "Description of Operations" The Borough of Watchung should be listed as additionally insured with respect to the event or program and the date(s)  
The event or program and dates must also be listed.
- The "Certificate Holder" should show "The Borough of Watchung,  
15 Mountain Blvd., Watchung, NJ 07069

# Watchung Recreation Commission Facility/Field Use Policies and Lease Agreement

## General Information

To rent a facility or field, community organizations are required to complete a rental application and pay the appropriate fee (if applicable). No "Sub-leasing" of any kind from one sports group to another is permitted. All dates, times and fields must be approved.

The Recreation Commission reserves the right to consider all rental requests and allocate rental time based on the number of requests and overall time requested. The Recreation Commission reserves the right to disapprove permits if it is determined that fields are deteriorating because of overuse.

Community members must be 21 years of age to sign a Field Use agreement or rent a field or facility. All applicants are required to provide one adult chaperone for each group of 10 youth in attendance under the age of 21 for all planned activities.

The Recreation Commission reserves the right to require the renter to provide police security for special programs.

All fees are to be paid in full two weeks prior to an approval unless other arrangements have been made with the Recreation Coordinator.

The Recreation Commission reserves the right to cancel practices/games due to weather conditions and/or field conditions. Failure to abide by this policy can result in cancellation of your rental agreement.

## Renter Responsibilities

All applicants requesting use of Watchung fields or facilities must observe the following guidelines and requirements:

1. The renter must leave the area, facility or equipment in a clean and orderly condition. All trash must be properly disposed.
2. Prohibited Items: Beer, wine, alcoholic beverages, firearms, tobacco and illegal drugs.
3. Liability: The Watchung Recreation Commission and the Borough of Watchung assume no liability for the renter's use of the equipment, field or facility. The applicant shall hold the Borough harmless from any claim or liability arising out of any activity or conduct of the renter while using the equipment, field or facility in question. Applicants are required to supply general liability insurance that covers the Borough with limits of \$1,000,000.00 combined single limit with an aggregate of \$2,000,000.00. A certificate of insurance, must be filed with the Borough at least five days prior to the use of the Boroughs field or facility.
4. Governmental Boards and Agencies: facilities are available at no charge to official government boards and agencies for events in the public interest when not otherwise in conflict with this policy.
5. Damages: Any and all damages to the facilities, equipment, and other Borough property, while being used by the renter, will be the responsibility of the renter and payable in full to the Borough of Watchung. Payment will include the costs of all labor, materials, and supplies to repair or replace the damage to facilities. The Recreation Commission reserves the right to decline renting to patrons who have incurred damages to Borough property in previous rentals.
6. Policy of Non-Discrimination: The Borough of Watchung facilities are available on a non-discriminatory basis. Appropriate activities need to accommodate individuals regardless of age, sex, race, color, religion, national origin, physical or mental disabilities, or marital status. The Borough of Watchung does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission, access, treatment or employment in its programs or activities.
7. ADA Statement: Although specific programs for persons with disabilities are limited, the Watchung Recreation Commission is committed to providing equal access to programs and facilities for these individuals. Reasonable accommodation and support can be requested to provide access to desired programs and activities. Requests should be made at least 10 days in advance. In addition, where a need is demonstrated and resources are available every reasonable effort will be made to establish specific programs for persons with disabilities.

The individual signing this lease agreement is responsible for ensuring that all policies included in this agreement are followed. The representative should notify us immediately if there are any maintenance or safety issues or damage to the fields that need to be addressed. Please sign below to confirm that you have received a copy of the Facility/Field Use Policy and Lease Agreement and agree to abide by these policies.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**HOLD-HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

1. "I / WE" "ME / MY / OUR" shall mean one of the following:

AN INDIVIDUAL: Name: \_\_\_\_\_ **OR**

ORGANIZATION: Name: \_\_\_\_\_ **OR**

CORPORATION or LLC: Name: \_\_\_\_\_

2. "YOU/YOUR/YOURSELF" shall mean the municipal corporation known as the **Borough of Watchung** and the **Borough of Watchung Recreation Commission**, its public officials, members, agents, servants, employees, or contractors.

3. **GENERAL INFORMATION: Per Field and Facility Permit Application Attached**

4. I sign this Hold-Harmless as MY voluntary act and by this act agree to hold YOU harmless and indemnify YOU from any claims, suits, or other actions arising from, caused by, or which are the alleged result of any act or omission of any organization, corporation, guest, invitee, licensee, visitor or other person present on the premises listed above in order to participate in, organize, assist, enjoy, supervise or in any other way further the activity I will be holding (as described above) on the date(s) listed above.

5. I state that the activity listed above will not include the consumption of alcoholic beverages, but should any person described in Paragraph 4 consume alcohol or allow or permit others to consume alcohol then I agree to be bound by the terms of paragraph 6 below.

6. I state that the activity listed above will include the consumption of alcoholic beverages and that because of such consumption I have the following additional duties to perform for You related to the use of the site listed above:

(a) that I am solely responsible for the dispensing and consuming of alcohol, including the prudent and responsible dispensing and consuming of alcohol by all persons involved in the activity described above, including but not limited to those persons described in paragraph 4 above; (b) to acknowledge by the signing of this Hold-Harmless that You have no authority, control, or participation in the dispensing or consuming of alcohol on the site and date listed above and that I will take no step(s), action(s), or measure(s) to convey the idea that You in any way have promoted, assisted, or participated in the dispensing and consuming of alcoholic beverages on the site and date listed above; (c) that I will not allow persons under the age of 21 to dispense or consume alcohol at the site during the activity to be held on Your property; (d) to comply with all municipal Ordinances relating to the consumption of alcoholic beverages, including but not limited to obtaining any necessary permits.

7. I also shall provide You with a Certificate of Insurance and that I shall provide same as soon as practicable and not less than five (5) business days before the date of the planned activity. Said Insurance shall be written with a company maintaining a rating of at least "A-" according to A.M. Best's. Said policy shall be in an amount of not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence (\$3,000,000 per occurrence if liquor is being served or consumed). It is understood You will be listed as an additional insured on that policy and Certificate of Insurance. If I, as an Individual, am holding a private, personal event, I shall provide YOU with a copy of My Homeowners or Condo or Renters or Personal Excess Liability policy declarations page with personal liability coverage of not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) each occurrence.

8. (Applicable to Corporation Only) I also agree that I am obligated to reimburse YOU for all reasonable attorney's fees incurred by YOU to enforce the terms of this Hold-Harmless or to defend YOURSELF against any claim, suit, demand for subrogation, or other action which a court of competent jurisdiction later determines by final order or judgment should have been defended by ME or at MY sole cost and expense pursuant to this Hold-harmless.

9. **LEGAL SIGNATURES:**

Signature on behalf of "I/WE/ME/MY/OUR":

Individual \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_

Organization or Corporation or LLC

and

Signature & Title of Person on behalf of the **Borough of Watchung** and **Watchung Recreation Commission**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**CORPORATE, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) OR  
ORGANIZATION ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

The following is to be completed for a Corporation or LLC (Limited Liability Company), so there is verification that the person signing the Hold-Harmless Agreement is authorized to do so on behalf of the Corporation or LLC.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY, COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

I, a NOTARY, CERTIFY that on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ personally came before me and this person acknowledged under oath, to my satisfaction, that:

- a) this person is the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, the corporation, LLC or Organization named in the attached;
- b) this person is the attesting witness to the signing of this document by the proper corporate officer or member who is \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_ of the corporation or LLC;
- c) this document was signed and delivered by the corporation, LLC or Organization as its voluntary act duly authorized and;
- d) this person signed this proof to attest to the truth of these facts.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Signed and sworn to before me

on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary

**LIGHTNING PREDICTION SYSTEM**  
**(THORGUARDIAN)**

The Borough of Watchung has an automatic lightning prediction and warning system in continuous use referred to as the Thorguardian. This unit is located at the top of the Snack Shack at Phillip's field. The sensor monitors energy as far as 15 miles and evaluates the potential for lightning within an area of approximately two miles in radius. When the unit senses a hazardous condition, the system automatically provides both audible and visual alerts. When a dangerous condition exists a warning blast will occur and the amber light will flash.

**THE FIELDS MUST BE CLEARED IMMEDIATELY WHEN THE SOUND ALARMS**

The light will continue to flash until the dangerous condition no longer exists.

Please review the following safety points with your organization leasers and participant:

1. Do Not seek shelter under a tree
2. Do Not seek shelter on the snack shack deck
3. Do Not seek shelter in a dugout by a metal fence

The Thorguardian prediction system is only a supplementary source of guidance. Should thunderstorm conditions develop, and the system is not activated, use good judgment and seek shelter.

Sign \_\_\_\_\_ Print \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and understand the above information; I will explain the function of lightning prediction system and review the safety points with all of the coaches, supervisors, parents and participants involved in my program, event or activity.

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**AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR (AED)**

The Borough of Watchung has an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) on site at Phillips Field.

The unit, referred to as an AED, is located on the south side of the snack shack at  
Phillips Field Sports Complex.

The Borough of Watchung and the Watchung Recreation Commission recommends that the use of the  
AED be administered by a certified individual.

Each youth sports organization will ensure that the AED status indicator is Green prior to field use.  
In the event that the status indicator is RED, call TEAM LIFE, INC @ (732)946-4243 or (888)466-8686  
(Phone numbers are listed on the AED unit)

Sign \_\_\_\_\_ Print \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and understand the above information. I will explain the function of the AED system and review the Safety points with all of the coaches, supervisors, parents and participants involved in my program, event or activity.

**2020 ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS FOR THE USE OF BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG FIELDS, PARKS AND FACILITIES (APPLICANT)**

**I. Background and Purpose**

The Borough of Watchung and the Borough of Watchung Recreation Commission (hereinafter jointly and separately referred to as the "Borough of Watchung") offer(s) Facility, Park and Field Use to the public for a variety of indoor and outdoor physical, social and educational programs and activities, including but not limited to competitive and non-competitive sports and sporting events, organized leagues, day camps, games, and instructional/training programs and camps (collectively referred to hereinafter as the "FACILITY AND FIELD USE"). The Borough of Watchung fields, facilities, parks and property and other public and semi-public places may be accessible to large numbers of people on a daily basis.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, and until further notice, any Organization, Company, and or individual(s) seeking to rent a Borough of Watchung facility or field for an event, program, or planned activity ("PROGRAM") shall require any adult, age 18 or older wishing to enroll themselves, their child(ren) or any other dependent(s) family members into or participate in the PROGRAM, or seeking to otherwise voluntarily participate or attend the PROGRAM as a coach, counselor, instructor, referee, official, or volunteer, to complete, sign an Acknowledgement and Waiver of Liability. It shall be the sole responsibility of the Applicant for the use of the Borough Field, Park and/or Facility to obtain and maintain a copy of the Acknowledgement and Waiver of Liability for a period of at least two (2) years from the date of the scheduled event.

Permission to access any Borough of Watchung facilities/property and equipment is expressly conditional on the Organization, Company and/or Individual(s) seeking to use or rent a Borough Field or Facility obtaining from all of its participants and attendees a properly completed and signed Acknowledgement and Waiver of Liability in a timely manner. The Organization, Company and/or Individual shall not permit an individual's participation or attendance in the PROGRAM without an executed Acknowledgement and Waiver of Liability.

**Access to any Borough of Watchung facility, field, park, property and/or equipment may be denied or revoked at any time for the failure of the Organization, Company and/or individual to have obtained a properly completed, signed Acknowledgement and Waiver of Liability from all of its participants and/or attendees.**

**II. Acknowledgment and Waiver and Indemnification and Hold Harmless**

I/WE, shall mean the following:

An INDIVIDUAL: Name: \_\_\_\_\_

ORGANIZATION: Name: \_\_\_\_\_

CORPORATION or LLC: Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I/WE have requested the use of a Borough of Watchung Field, Facility and/or Park for a PROGRAM and in consideration of the use of the Borough Field, Facility, and/or Park, I/WE, the undersigned agree to assume all risks of the Program and agree to indemnify and hold the Borough of Watchung and its officers, agents, and employees harmless from any and all liability, claims, costs, and attorney's fees arising out of the use of the Borough Property.

I/WE acknowledge that the Pandemic Illnesses: (1) are highly contagious and may cause serious permanent bodily injury, including death, of healthy persons of all ages; (2) are subject to changing recommendations on limiting risk of exposure and spread; (3) remain prevalent throughout New Jersey; (4) are highly likely to spread to persons in direct contact with or in close proximity to (within about 6 feet) an infected person; (5) believed by the CDC/NJDOH to spread by droplets produced into the air when an infected person coughs, sneezes, talks or otherwise moves air out through their nose and mouth, and from touching surfaces on which droplets containing the virus exist.

I/WE further acknowledge that operation and implementation of the PROGRAM may pose an inherent and heightened risk of exposure, infection and bodily injury from the Pandemic Illnesses regardless of preventative measures taken by the Borough of Watchung.

By signing this ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, WAIVER, INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS, I/WE on behalf of ourselves, the PROGRAM PARTICIPANT(S) and other members of their household, voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks, and do accept sole and complete responsibility for any and all injuries, damage(s) and other losses to the PROGRAM PARTICIPANT(S), and other members of their household for attending or participating in the PROGRAM, including for all bodily injuries, disabilities, permanent disabilities, deaths, illnesses, damages, losses, claims, demands, liabilities, medical treatment and expenses, attorneys' fees, costs of suit and/or expenses of any kind that is incurred in connection with attending or participating in any PROGRAM.

I/WE, on behalf of myself/ourselves, HEREBY RELEASE, COVENANT NOT TO SUE, DISCHARGE, WAIVE AND AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG, THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG RECREATION COMMISSION, AND EACH OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG'S OFFICIALS, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES AGENTS, VOLUNTEERS AND REPRESENTATIVES FOR AND FROM ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, DAMAGES, DEMANDS, LOSSES, LIABILITIES, ACTIONS, COSTS AND EXPENSES OF ANY KIND ARISING OUT OF OR IN ANY WAY RELATING TO THE ACCIDENTAL AND/OR NEGLIGENT EXPOSURE TO THESE PANDEMIC ILLNESSES FROM ATTENDING OR PARTICIPATING IN THE PROGRAM(S).

I/WE UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT THIS WAIVER, RELEASE, HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFICATION INCLUDES ANY AND ALL CLAIMS BASED ON THE ACTIONS, OMISSIONS, OR NEGLIGENCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG, THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG'S OFFICIALS, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, VOLUNTEERS AND REPRESENTATIVES, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER INFECTION FROM THESE PANDEMIC ILLNESSES OCCUR BEFORE DURING OR AFTER PARTICIPATION AND/OR ATTENDANCE IN ANY PROGRAM(S) AT A BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG FIELD, PARK, AND/OR FACILITY.



This ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, WAIVER, INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS does not supersede, circumvent, or cancel Borough of Watchung Recreation Department's Rules and Regulations relating to the use and/or rental of the Borough Field, Park or Facility.

If any part of this ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, WAIVER, INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remainder of this WAIVER release from liability shall nevertheless remain in full force and effect and the offending provision or provisions severed here from.

The undersigned, has read and accepts the terms and conditions of this and is fully authorized to execute the within document on behalf of Organization, Corporation or Company, and acknowledges and agrees that it shall, to the fullest extent allowed by law, be effective.

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Authorized Signature

Date

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Print Name of Organization, Corporation and Title of Signatory

Date

\_\_\_\_\_ Initial to confirm that the Individual, Organization, Corporation and/or Company has or will obtain an Acknowledgement and Waiver of Liability form for all PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS and will maintain a copy of such for a period of at least two (2) years from the date of the scheduled event.