

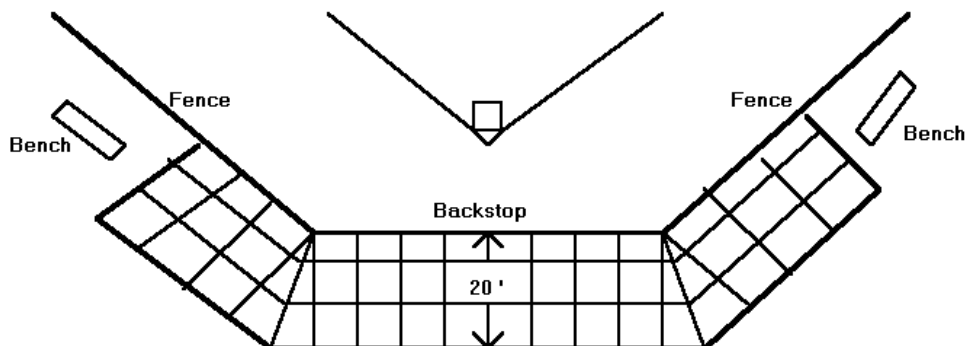
PISGAH YOUTH ORGANIZATION



VISITORS POLICIES

PYO Field and Facility Policies

- A. The below policies are the main points that govern all playing activities and the use of PYO facilities and equipment, for all league affiliations. Complete policies and guidelines can be found in the PYO Members Handbook and we expect all to abide by the Coaches and Parents Code of Conduct that is available via the PYO Website. -- www.pyobaseball.org
- B. **Demeanor and Conduct of Coaches, Players and Guests**
1. The use of alcoholic beverages, profane language, or misuse of equipment will not be tolerated. Violation shall be cause for immediate ejection from the premises. No game or practice shall continue until the offender or offenders have left.
 2. **No pets are permitted on PYO premises.**
 3. No heckling, intimidating, or harassing umpires, or opposing players, by anybody, including spectators and other players.
 4. No fighting by participants including players, managers, coaches, other team personnel and or spectators.
 5. No persons, including parents, spectators, siblings, coaches, and players, will be allowed in the Neutral Zone (20ft behind the backstop) during play. If necessary, the umpire(s) shall call time to clear the Zone and play shall not continue until the Zone is cleared.



Exceptions:

- a. The umpires may modify this Rule to accommodate local field conditions, but only for those directly affected. For example, if a player's bench is relocated because of water in the area of the permanent bench, the players may be located in a designated bench area in the Neutral Zone.

C. Playing Fields, Rain Procedure and Batting Cage Use

1. When wet weather conditions exist, the PYO **HOTLINE 755-6500** is updated daily with specific instructions indicating which field(s) are available for play by 5:00 PM during the week. Saturday and Sunday instructions will be updated by 8:00 AM.
2. No practice swings with the bat shall be taken until the player is either on the playing field by home plate or in a designated on deck space inside a fenced area. Hitting balls, by means of soft toss into a fenced area, or hitting off a tee into a fenced area, or use of any other hitting device in a fenced dugout area is strictly prohibited. Use of an on field motorized pitching machine is prohibited unless prior board permission is obtained.
3. There will be no infield warm-up before scheduled Tournament play.
4. Please abide by the posted rules regarding use of the Batting Cages. Teams can reserve Batting Cage use during a Tournament for a fee. Sign up in the Concession Stand for your first come first serve time slot(s).

D. Severe Weather

1. PYO implemented an augmented system of severe weather warning, using a lightning detector. This system will provide additional alerts to approaching lightning. It is **NOT** meant as a replacement to umpires and coaches maintaining vigilance.
2. When you hear the air horn, immediately clear the field. Umpires will notify coaches on both sides that continuation of the game will be decided in 15 minutes. Of course, if it is late in the evening, and clearly the game will not resume, suspend the game and get everybody to their cars.

THE CONCESSION STAND WILL SOUND THE ALERT WHEN THESE CONDITIONS EXIST:

- Thunder audible
- Lightning visible
- Detector indicates lightning within a range of 8-20 miles

THE ALERT WILL SOUND LIKE THIS:

- two long blasts (4 seconds each)
- wait 10 seconds
- two long blasts (4 seconds each)

3. If lightning moves into the area, but is not accompanied by rain, and this occurs early in the evening or during the day on the weekends, it is likely that games could resume.

AN ALL CLEAR SIGNAL WILL BE SOUNDED WHEN THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS EXIST:

- At least 10 minutes has passed from last visible lightning.
- Detector shows lightning outside a range of 8-20.

THE ALL CLEAR ALERT WILL SOUND LIKE THIS:

- three short blasts (1 second each)
- wait 10 seconds
- three short blasts (1 second each)

4. This system is meant as an additional aid to Coaches and Umpires. It is unacceptable to continue games under approaching severe weather circumstances, irrespective of whether the alert has sounded. PYO, its’ members, and especially the children still depend upon quick reaction by you to deteriorating weather conditions, particularly when lightning is present.

E. Location of the PYO Facilities

Go the PYO Website and hit the “Maps to the Fields” link. www.pyobaseball.org

F. Concession Stand, Gate and Parking Fees

- PYO like most organization’s rely on the Concession income as a major contributor to its’ annual fundraising efforts.
- **We ask all tournament teams and participants to patronize PYO’s Concessions for light snacks and drinks. We have very reasonable pricing – \$1 for a Hot Dog, \$1 for a Bottled Water, \$1 for a Pop or a Slushie.**
- We offer an after game team special that includes 15 Hot Dogs, 15 Drinks(Water or Pop) and 15 bags of chips for only \$25. If you would like to purchase a team special, please let the Concession Stand folks know before your game so arrangements can be made to prepare accordingly.
- There are no Gate or Parking Fees at the PYO Complex for PYO sponsored Tournaments.