

Artificial Turf at Kendall Park User Guide



Thank you for booking North Canterbury's first fully synthetic, all-weather sports field.

This guide contains important information about using the artificial turf and Kendall Park's facilities to ensure it remains a premier sports ground for all users.

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General access instructions

Car parking

Extensive car parking is provided beside the artificial turf and next to the clubrooms. Once these areas are full, visitors will have to park on the side of Island Road. The last group to leave the car park area at night is required to close and lock the gate.

Toilets

Public toilets are available next to the clubrooms until 10pm every night.

Changing rooms

The Waimakariri District Council is looking to provide purpose-built changing and toilet facilities for the artificial turf. However until then the existing Kendall Park Pavilion can be used on request. You will be provided with a code to open a lockbox which will contain the changing room key. If you require use of the kitchen, please mention this at the time of booking and we will open it for you. There is an additional charge for use of the changing rooms and kitchen to cover cleaning costs.

Field lights

The switch for the lights on the artificial turf is located next to the garage/storage shed.

At the time of booking you will be given a code to a lockbox attached to the southern side of the light's cabinet, which contains the keys for these switches. The top switch turns on lights for the right half of the field (north end). The middle switch turns on lights for the left half of the field (south end). The bottom switch turns on all lights.

If you are only using half the turf, please only turn on half the lights. If a second group arrives, they can remove the key to turn on the lights for their half of the field. DO NOT

turn off half the lights in order to turn on the COMPLIGHT switch for the whole field as it will take several minutes for the lights to restart.

All lights will turn off at 9.30pm and cannot be relit after that.



Goals

Football goals are the default setting for the field and there are moveable goals available when using a half-turf. If you require rugby posts, you will need to state this at the time of booking and provide at least 24 hours' notice. Please do not allow anyone to swing or climb on the goals and nets.

Lines and flags

The field is set with football lines and flag placements. Temporary lines for rugby can be added but the user will be required to pay the cost of this.

Care of the artificial turf

People

- Only players, coaching staff, medical staff and referees are allowed on the field.
- Spectators MUST stay behind the fencing.

Footwear

- No muddy or dirty footwear. Footwear must be clean prior to taking the field.

- The following footwear is acceptable:
 - Athletic boots with moulded or metal studs (not spikes)
 - Standard flat soled athletic shoes.
- Please note that when players leave the field they will have granulated rubber stuck to their shoes - particularly if it is wet. We suggest you remove as much of this as possible before leaving the turf area.

Food/drink

- No food, chewing gum or lollies are permitted on the field.
- No liquids, other than water, are permitted on the field.
- Water must be in plastic containers (no glass, tin or ceramic).
- Strictly NO ALCOHOL is to be consumed on the field, on the side lines or in the spectator areas.

Note: Mud, dirt, food, chewing gum and sticky fluids can damage the turf fibres or cause them to clump together. This cannot be easily cleaned or fixed.

Rubbish

- Do not leave rubbish, including strapping tape and drink bottles, on the field.
- Please leave the field in a tidy condition, particularly around the team benches.
- Several rubbish bins have been provided for your use around the field.

Hygiene

- No spitting, snot rockets or urinating on the field.
- Blood must be thoroughly washed away with water.
- No dogs are permitted on the turf.

Unlike real grass the artificial turf does not absorb bodily fluids and these can become an infection hazard if not dealt with correctly.

Items on the turf

- Do not drag items across the field or place heavy objects on the turf.
- No vehicles, bikes, scooters or skateboards are permitted on the turf.
- No fires or fireworks are permitted.
- No smoking on or near the turf.

Failure to comply with the above rules will result in termination of your club or group's current and future bookings.

Booking information

While the artificial turf at Kendall Park is not locked to public use, priority is given to groups that have booked and paid the hiring fee in advance. There may be situations where two groups have booked half the field each, so please don't assume other users should not be there during the time you have booked for.

If you arrive at the park at your booked time and find other people using the artificial turf, please follow this procedure:

1. Establish whether the other group has also booked the field and if so the details of their booking (i.e. size of field booked, duration of booking etc).
2. If they do not have a booking, you are entitled to politely ask them to vacate the field area that you have booked. If they refuse to leave or cause difficulty, please phone 0800 965 468. Someone will be able to arrange for a security firm to help you remove trespassers.
3. If the other group has a booking that clashes with your booking, please phone 0800 965 468. Staff will assist you to confirm details of both bookings and help you resolve the situation as fairly as possible. Please note, staff have access to the bookings Monday-Friday from 9am-5pm.

Field issues

If there are any problems with the field or lights, please phone 0800 965 468. Staff will be able to forward your enquiry to the appropriate service agent or will arrange for a technician to attend. Please be aware that technical issues may not be able to be fixed immediately and you may have to rebook for a different time.

For all other enquiries about your bookings for the artificial turf at Kendall Park please contact the Waimakariri District Council or your sports club's governing body.

For more information please contact

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