

TOWN OF SOUTHBOROUGH



RECREATION COMMISSION

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The following policy has been drafted after input from interested parties to the Mooney Field lights.

Mooney Field Lighting Policy

1. The Mooney "Majors" diamond (the field to be lighted)("Diamond") is for baseball players ages 12 and under and will not be modified/expanded to accommodate older players.
2. Hours of Lighting Use:
 - Sunday through Thursday nights: lights will be programmed to automatically turn off at 9:00 pm
 - Friday & Saturday nights: lights will be programmed to automatically turn off at 9:30 pm
 - a. The lights will be programmed to automatically shut off at the above stated times. This program will be controlled by the Southborough Recreation Department.
 - b. Selected coaches and other Southborough Little League officials will be given authority to manually turn the lights off earlier than the above stated times and will be instructed to do so when games or practices are postponed (cancelled due to rain) or end early.
 - c. The Recreation Department and Police Department have existing policies and procedures in place if issues occur or policies are not followed with recreational facilities after hours.
3. If a game on the Diamond ends after 8pm, the lights may not be used for practice.
4. The lights may be used for Tournaments ONLY if Southborough baseball players are participating in the tournament – Hours of Lighting Use above remain in effect.
5. Times of use, users, uses, and terms in this policy can be modified or expanded only with, at minimum, the approval of the Zoning Board and/or Planning Board.

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6. Points of contact for the Southborough Recreation Department and Southborough Little League will be provided to abutters upon request to insure that this policy is followed and to facilitate open communication.
7. Announcer speakers will be kept at a reasonable/responsible decibel level.
8. The Recreation department will host an annual meeting with the neighborhood and the youth organizations that use the Mooney field to facilitate open communication and respectfully express concerns.
9. The Recreation Department reserves the right to issue individual use permits of the field and lights (ie, Resident Birthday Party). Hours of Lighting Use above remain in effect.
10. If a police detail is required at Mooney Field the user shall be responsible for the fee.
11. Any terms in this policy not included in a Zoning Board or Planning Board decision shall be included in any permit issued to Southborough Youth Baseball.

Respectfully submitted



Brian Shifrin, Chair