

## **GREENWOOD COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

**<http://www.co.greenwood.sc.us/parks.aspx>**

### **GREENWOOD OFFICE:**

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Director: Donnie Dowis  
Athletic Supervisor: James Rushton  
377-0962  
Admin. Asst.: Susan Waters  
Admin. Asst.: Nancy Holland  
Sports Supervisor: Tommy Holland  
Sports Supervisor: Billy Lewis  
Sports Supervisor: Rodger Walker

### **BREWER RECREATION CENTER:**

Old Brewer School Gym  
927 E. Cambridge  
Greenwood, SC 29646  
Phone: 942-5662

Center Director: Willie Randall  
Program Supervisor: Patricia Lawson  
Program Supervisor: Debra Montgomery  
Sports Supervisor: William Higgins, Jr.

### **NINETY SIX CENTER:**

99 Duke Street  
Ninety Six, SC 29666  
Phone: 543-4394  
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Center Director: Tripp May  
Sports Supervisor: George McCarty

### **LARRY TRAYNHAM CENTER:**

P.O. Box 56  
Ware Shoals, SC 29692  
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Center Director: Chuck Couch  
Sports Supervisor: Bob Johnston

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The Greenwood County Department of Parks & Recreation's facilities, programs and activities are open to everyone, regardless of race, color, national origin, age handicap or sex.

## **General Departmental Information**

### **Objectives & Purposes:**

The objectives and purposes of the Greenwood County Parks & Recreation Department Sports Leagues are to develop, promote and regulate amateur sports in Greenwood County and to establish rules and regulations governing all teams participating in any activity that will be beneficial to the well being of the participant and to stimulate wholesome recreational activities.

### **Policy/Rule Changes:**

The Greenwood County Parks & Recreation Department reserves the right to change any and all rules, regulations and policies when due cause warrants. When a change is made, all managers or coaches or teams affected by such change will be notified immediately. Additionally, league dates and locations may be amended as circumstances warrant.

### **Warning/Waiver:**

Although participation in supervised athletics and activities may be one of the least hazardous in which any person will engage, by its nature, participation in athletics includes a risk of injury which may range in severity from minor to serious.

Although serious injuries are not common, it is impossible to entirely eliminate this risk. Participants can, and have the responsibility to, help reduce the chance of injury. Players must obey all safety rules, report all physical problems to their coaches and inspect their own equipment daily.

By signing the registration form, each player waives Greenwood County from all claims and liabilities of any kind arising out of participation in the involved sport. Those who do not wish to accept the risks described in this warning should not register or participate.

### **Insurance/Injuries:**

The Greenwood County Parks & Recreation Department carries no insurance on players, coaches or game officials. Participants are responsible for any and all charges resulting from medical emergencies.

### **High School/College**

Please note that High School eligibility may be affected by participation in Recreation Leagues.

### **Registration**

Each child must register and participate in the school district in which he resides. A signed registration form and a copy of the participant's birth certificate are necessary to register. Once we have a copy of the Birth Certificate in our office, it will remain on file until the child is too old for any of our Youth Programs. For registration times and locations, contact your local recreation center office.

### **Volunteers/Coaches**

Coaches are all volunteers who give their time to help with the programs. While we have a few volunteers that are with us year after year, the majority of our coaches are mothers and fathers of the players and change from year to year. We rely on you as parents to step forward when asked to assist in any way that you can in order to help make the program a success for your children. All volunteer Coaches are required to complete a Coach's Application during the registration period. An email address, signature, driver's license and social security # are required on this form. Background checks on all applicants are mandatory.

### **Physicals**

While physicals are not required, it is recommended that parents take all necessary precautions to ensure their children are physically able to participate.

### **Scorekeeper**

Basketball - A Parks & Recreation Staff Member will keep official book.

Football - A Parks & Recreation Staff Member will keep the official book.

### **Warm-ups**

Warm-ups will be allowed inside the playing field area ONLY. There will be five minutes between games for warm-ups. Abuse of this rule may result in a 2-game suspension.

**Rain-outs**

Rained Out or postponed games will be rescheduled by the Department as necessary. Games interrupted during play will be replayed in their entirety. Saturday may be used for make-up games. Forty-eight hours notice will be given. Information about cancellations can be received at the following numbers:

942-8721 Recording 24 hrs.  
942-8517 Greenwood Complex after 5:00PM  
543-4394 Ninety Six Complex  
456-7613 Ware Shoals Office

\*\*\* Tournament Play - 48 hrs. Notice may not be able to be given - call office \*\*\*

**Ejection**

An ejected player or coach, from either a game or tournament, must remove himself/herself immediately from the gym or complex area as designated by the League Director. If ejected, the player/coach is suspended for the remainder of that game and for the entire next game played. No further notification of suspension is required. A Second offense will result in the removal of the player/coach from league. Physically abusing an umpire/referee is automatic suspension for the remainder of the season.

**Practice**

Pre-Season practice will be scheduled for each team by the department.

**Forfeit**

Game time is forfeit time.

**Ineligible Player**

Any team using an ineligible player will be subject to forfeiting any and all games in which the player participated.

**Protest**

Officials will work to settle all situations in the playing arena. Protests will be allowed for age or rule interpretations only. Protests must be declared to the Official and then to the League/Tournament Director before the next play following the dispute. No protests will be allowed following the game. League/Tournament Officials will rule on all protests and their decision will be final.

**Tobacco/Alcohol**

The use of tobacco/alcohol in any form within the confines of the playing area is prohibited.

**Uniforms**

All players will be issued a game jersey. Individuals will be responsible for purchasing their own personal equipment. Basketball shoes are required on courts.

**Coaches Area**

Coaches must remain in designated areas.

**Participation**

(See #3 under r rules) Each coach has the authority to waive the participation rule for a given child if disciplinary reasons are warranted. The coach shall notify League Officials of the reasons before the game begins.

**Blood Rule**

A player, coach or umpire who is bleeding or who has blood on his uniform shall be prohibited from participating further in the game until appropriate treatment can be administered. If medical care or treatment is administered in a reasonable length of time, the individual will not have to leave the game. The length of time that is considered reasonable is left up to the umpire's judgment. Uniform violations will not be enforced if a uniform change is required. The umpire shall:

- a. Stop the game and allow treatment if the injured would affect the continuation of the game.  
(Delay will continue to count towards time limit of game).
- b. Immediately call a trainer or other authorized person to the injured player.
- c. Apply the rules of the game regarding substitution, shorthanded player and reentry if necessary
- d. Staff members have First Aid Kits at each site.

## PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES

### PLAYGROUND RULES

1. Do not use equipment when wet.
2. No running, pushing or shoving.
3. Do not use play equipment improperly.
4. No bare feet! You must wear proper footwear.
5. Do not use playground equipment without adult supervision.
6. Do not use equipment unless designed for your age group.
7. By County Ordinance: there is NO SMOKING allowed on any County owned property.

### PARK RULES

1. Unauthorized vehicles are not allowed.
2. Alcoholic beverages or weapons of any kind are strictly prohibited.
3. No skates, skateboards, bicycles, etc. are allowed in the park.
4. Pets are not permitted in the park.
5. All Children should be accompanied by a responsible adult.
6. Throwing or hitting baseballs/softballs outside of playing fields is prohibited.
7. No practice on fields that have been prepared for games.
8. Please help keep the park clean. Place all trash in trash cans.
9. By County Ordinance: there is NO SMOKING allowed on any County owned property.

### PRACTICE

Fields may be reserved for \$15.00 per hour for practice when available. For reservation information, contact your local Parks & Recreation Office.

### TENNIS CENTER

1. The Greenwood Tennis Center consists of six (6) lighted courts and is located at the Greenwood Recreation Complex.
2. Courts are available daily on a first come - first serve basis.
3. There is no charge to use these courts.
4. Players must abide by a one (1) hour time limit when others are waiting to play.
5. Lights are operational till 10:00 PM in the winter season and until 11:00 PM in the summer season. (light switches are located on each individual court.)
6. By County Ordinance: there is NO SMOKING allowed on any County owned property.

### PAVILION

1. The Pavilion may be reserved for a minimum of four hours for \$100 or for the full day at \$150.
2. No alcohol is allowed on any Greenwood County Property.
3. No bikes, skateboards, roller blades or skates are allowed inside the Pavilion.
4. No loud music is allowed.
5. You must clean up after your function – trash may be left bagged and in trash receptacles.
6. No vehicles are allowed inside the fenced area.
7. Use grills at your own risk – PLEASE use responsibly!
8. Cancellations must be made 48 hrs. prior to the event to receive a full refund.  
(Call the Parks & Recreation office @ 942-8515 to cancel)
9. By County Ordinance: there is NO SMOKING allowed on any County owned property.

To request a reservation you must come to the Parks & Recreation Office to check availability, complete a rental agreement form and pay the fee.

<p><b>Revised:</b> <b>January 1, 2010</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Tournament Procedures:</b> <b>Greenwood Recreation Complex, Ninety Six Fox Boozer Complex and Young Park</b> Hwy. 221 / 72 East, Greenwood, SC 29649 Phone: (864) 942-8515 Fax: (864) 942-8606 www.co.greenwood.sc.us</p>
<p><b>Concessions</b></p>	<p>Complete food and beverage service will be provided by a Greenwood County contractor</p>
<p><b>Gate Admission</b></p>	<p>Admission at the gate is up to the tournament director. If gate is charged, 50% of gross gate receipts is due to Greenwood County Parks and Recreation Dept.</p>
<p><b>Field Rental Fee</b></p>	<p>\$ 200 per day, (1 Field) or \$ 250 per day (up to 3 fields). Multiple day tournaments will be negotiated. Full payment is due no later than 4 days prior to the event. No refund after payment is made except for weather cancellation as determined by Greenwood County.</p>
<p><b>Lights</b></p>	<p>Included in fee for all youth and adult events. Midnight curfew; lights will go out at midnight every night.</p>
<p><b>Field Maintenance</b></p>	<p>One field prep each morning is included for youth and adult tournaments. Necessary use of quick dry is included, in amounts deemed appropriate by on-staff maintenance personnel.</p>
<p><b>Sale of Outside Merchandise</b></p>	<p>Vendors (excluding food) are permitted with approval at 20% of gross sales.</p>
<p><b>First Aid</b></p>	<p>The renter is responsible for having first aid equipment and any needed medical personnel on site. Ice for injuries may be obtained at the concession stand.</p>
<p><b>Included Staff on Site</b></p>	<p>One Supervisor will remain on site at all times. This person is not responsible for maintaining the playing surface or grooming fields.</p>
<p><b>Event Security</b></p>	<p>At the request of the Tournament Director, Greenwood County will arrange for an off-duty Greenwood County Sheriff's Officer to provide security for an event. The Tournament Director will pay the officer \$30 per hour on-site.</p>
<p><b>Inclement weather Policy</b></p>	<p>The Tournament Director may make decisions about field conditions, playability of a wet field, and safety of players, however, maintenance personnel or other Greenwood Parks and Recreation employees have the right to override the tournament director's decision.</p>
<p><b>Reservation Fee</b></p>	<p>\$25 reservation fee per event is paid up front to hold date (refunded only for weather cancellation). Reservation fee is NOT applied to balance.</p>
<p><b>Park Rules and Ordinances</b></p>	<p>Greenwood County reserves the right to dismiss an individual, team, or cancel the entire tournament if there are violations of the park rules. If anyone is arrested during tournament or while on Greenwood County park property, that person may be issued a no trespassing notice, which bans that individual from reentry to the park indefinitely. 1) Alcohol is not permitted 2) Friendly dogs are welcome, but must remain on a leash, and dog waste must be removed 3) Fireworks are not permitted 4) No glass containers are allowed in the park 5) Firearms or weapons of any kind are not permitted 6) No smoking on park property.</p>

**YOUTH FOOTBALL****(Football)**

8 & under	7 & 8 years old as of 11/30 current year	Weight Limit of 120 lbs.
10 & under	9 & 10 years old as of 11/30 current year	Weight Limit of 135 lbs.
12 & under	11 & 12 years old as of 11/30 current year	Weight Limit of 150 lbs.

1. South Carolina High School Rules shall govern play with the following exceptions.
2. Weight Limit:
  - 8 & under - 120 lbs.
  - 10 & under - 135 lbs.
  - 12 & under - 150 lbs.

**Mandatory weigh-in for all players prior to first game.**

Players weighing over the weight limit can still play, but must play the interior line and not carry the ball in any aspect such as handoff, fumble recovery, punt return, interception, ect.

**OVERWEIGHT PLAYERS**

- A) Overweight players will wear numbers 70-79 so they can be easily identified.  
NO OTHER players will wear numbers in this range.
  - B) On offense a maximum of 5 overweight players will be allowed and they can only play positions of Tackle, guard or center.
  - C) On defense a maximum of 5 overweight players will be allowed. They can only play tackle to tackle and must assume 3 or 4 point stance prior to snap of the ball.
  - D) Overweight players cannot play on kick off or kick off return teams.
  - E) If an overweight player is caught playing in an ineligible position there will be an unsportsmanlike penalty called and a warning given to the head coach.
3. All equipment must be NOCSAE approved.
  4. Regulation penalties.
  5. 100 Yard field length.
  6. Participation: Each player who attends the game must play an equivalent of 1 quarter.  
\*\*PLEASE NOTE\*\* No member of any Interscholastic School team may participate in the same sport in the recreation program of the current season if the player dressed out for a game after September 1 of the current year.
  7. Each team gets two 1 minute time outs per half. Half Time will be five (5) minutes.
  8. Scoring:
    - Touchdown - 6 points
    - Safety - 2 points
    - Point after touchdown - 1 point for running or passing
    - Point after touchdown - 2 points for kicking (free kick)
    - Field Goal - 3 points
  9. Each team will get 30 seconds to get a play off after officials have signaled the ball ready for play.
  10. A team must have eleven (11) players to start and finish a game. Less than eleven (11) players will result in a forfeit.
  11. Time:
    - 8 & under: 8 minute quarters
    - 10 & under: 8 minute quarters
    - 12 & under: 8 minute quarters

JUNIOR LEVEL CLOCK RULES  
APPLY!

12. **Coaches - 8 & under Division Rules:**
  - a. One Coach is allowed on the field. Coach must remain away from the play after the ball is snapped. Coach may be penalized if he interferes with the play. Penalty: 10 yards and loss of down.
  - b. Ball will be put into play from the mid-field at the beginning of each half and after each score.
  - c. No punts. On fourth down a team may go for first down or declare to punt only. If they choose to punt, the ball will be moved 25 yards from the line of scrimmage or  $\frac{1}{2}$  the distance to the goal if it is inside the 50 yard line.
  
13. **Coaches - 10 & under Division Rules:**
  - a. NO COACHES ARE ALLOWED ON THE FIELD!!
  - b. Kick offs from 40 yard line.
  - c. No punts. On fourth down a team may go for first down or declare to punt only. If they choose to punt, the ball will be moved 25 yards from the line of scrimmage or  $\frac{1}{2}$  the distance to the goal if it's inside the 50 yard line.
  
14. **Coaches - 12 & under Division Rules:**
  - a. No Coaches allowed on the field.
  - b. Kick off from 40 yard line.
  - c. Regulation Punts.
  
15. **Field goals and extra point kicks**
  - a. Free kick in all divisions. No fakes. All kicks must be announced. Off-sides will be called.