

## Park & Recreation Field Closures and How It Works.....

Fields are closed when the department determines that playing on them will cause damage to the fields and could jeopardize the safety of the players. If fields are damaged it can be a large, unnecessary cost for the department.

Field cancellations/info is posted on:

Twitter (X): <https://x.com/EastonParksRec>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/EastonParkandRecreation>

**We encourage all teams/organizations to urge parents/coaches to use X (Twitter) or Facebook to make communication easier.**

***Organizations ARE ALLOWED to cancel games after our department has left fields open but they must contact the parents directly after the decision has been made by Park & Recreation.***

Sometimes fields may be closed when there has previously been a large amount of rain but skies are clear that afternoon. Should the fields be questionable for play and the weather forecast calls for continued rain for the majority of the day, the fields will be closed; predicting the weather is quite tricky and all fields handle weather and water differently. **We will make a determination on field closures no later than 1:00 PM during the week and email coaches directly.** Weather patterns frequently change in New England as we all know, and it can be difficult to determine weather for 4:00pm when it is noon. We go through multiple steps to try and make an educated decision, but no one is perfect :)

### **FIELD CLOSURES ON WEEKENDS ARE MADE ON TWITTER & FACEBOOK ONLY**

If the fields are open and coaches arrive for their game to find there are standing puddles of water or the field gives a "squishing" sound when you walk on it, coaches need to cancel the game on the field and inform the referees. The Easton Park & Recreation Department will do our best to keep fields open and playable for a safe and fun season.