

SPECIAL EVENT POLICY

Overview

Organizations and individuals may book space at The Fields for special events or one-time recreational events on a field, activities under the Celebration Pavilion or under the shade structure near the Playground following the process described below on a space-available basis.

Playing Fields

Individuals may request up to two hours of field time for a social or one-time recreational event, such as a free sports activity or a birthday party using the [Book A Field](#) form at [RFKFields.com](#). Requests must be submitted at least two weeks in advance of the desired date. All field use policies apply during these events, including that food and beverages are prohibited on the turf playing fields. All children under the age of 18 must have adult supervision.

Rental rates for patrons are as follows:

- Field 1 or 3 — \$125/hour with valid DC photo ID, or \$175/hour (Non-DC rate)
 - \$62.50/hour for half field (DC rate), \$87.50/hour for half field (Non-DC rate)
- Field 2a — \$70/hour with valid DC photo ID, or \$95/hour (Non-DC rate)
- Field 2a in conjunction with Pavilion rental — \$40/hour with a valid DC photo ID, or \$80/hour (Non-DC rate)
- Additional fees may apply if additional staffing, custodial, security, or other services are required.

Celebration Pavilion

The Celebration Pavilion near Field 2 can be rented on an hourly basis for parties, meetings, classes, and other social/cultural events. Requests must be submitted to thefields@cryspdc.org at least two weeks in advance. The pavilion covers 6,000 square feet of paved area. Permitted users may bring furniture and equipment or rent chairs and tables from CRYSP.

Rental rates for patrons are as follows:

- Pavilion — exclusive use: \$50/hour with a valid DC photo ID; or \$100/hour (Non-DC rate)
- Pavilion — partial use: \$25/hour with a valid DC photo ID; or \$50/hour (Non-DC rate)

- Field 2a in conjunction with Pavilion rental — \$40/hour with a valid DC photo ID or \$80/hour (Non-DC rate)
- Furniture rental
 - 8-foot rectangular tables — \$6
 - 4-foot round tables — \$6
 - Chairs — \$6 per 4 chairs
 - Set up/take down fee — \$50/event
- Additional fees may apply if additional staffing, custodial, security, or other services are required.

Music is permissible with permit between the hours of 9 am to 8 pm, Sunday to Thursday, and 9 am to 11 pm, Friday and Saturday. Amplification is limited to two speakers facing east; subwoofers and low base are prohibited.

Shade Structure Near Playground

Patrons may hold small birthday parties and other informal social events under the shade structure adjacent to the playground for up to 20 people, for up to two hours, using up to four tables, as long as patrons do not prevent shared use by others who are already there. There is no charge for this use and patrons may visit the field office in person to reserve space up to 48 hours in advance.

Site Conditions and Cleaning

If a permitted patron arrives to their designated area and finds it in substandard condition due to trash, other items/equipment on or off the field, or any damage to the field or area, please inform field staff immediately. Failure to do so may result in the patron being held responsible for the substandard condition.

Once a permitted patron takes possession of the field, the patron is responsible for cleaning up after their activities or event and leaving the field or area in as-good or better condition than when they arrived.

CRYSP may require the patron to pay an additional cleaning fee or provide a cleaning deposit prior to engaging in any activity under the Pavilion or on a field. The circumstances under which a cleaning deposit will be required shall be made on a case-by-case basis. In the event that CRYSP requires the patron to provide a cleaning deposit, the deposit will be processed within two business days after the event, assuming the area is in the same condition after the event as before it. A deposit will not typically be required for events that do not involve food or beverages.

All patrons using the facility during Community Use times are required to follow the published [Facility Use Policies](#).

Any questions should be directed to the uniformed field staff on-site, or by contacting 202-539-9555 or thefields@cryspdc.org.

Weather Policy

Please review the [Weather Policy](#) for The Fields at RFK.