

## HOUGHTON-PORTAGE TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS

### Artificial Turf and Track Guidelines and Regulations

1. Use of Tobacco, Vaping, Alcohol, Fire Arms, or Controlled Substance Products, including Marijuana (Cannabis) is not permitted.
2. Food items (especially chewing gum, peanuts, and sunflower seeds) are not permitted on or around the track or artificial turf field surface.
3. **ONLY WATER** is permitted on or around the track or artificial turf field surface – **NO COLORED SPORTS DRINKS such as GATORADE, POWERADE, ETC. - WATER ONLY.**
4. **NO GLASS CONTAINERS.**
5. No open flames or fireworks permitted on or around the track or artificial turf field surface. The use of grills is permitted only in the parking lot.
6. Turf shoes or molded cleats are suitable for the artificial turf field.
7. No metal cleats may be worn on either surface at any time.
8. Only 1/8" spike is allowed on the track
9. Sneakers may be worn on either surface.
10. All shoes or athletic footwear on the track or artificial turf field surface must be free of mud and debris.
11. No golfing, shot put, javelin or discus throwing permitted on or around the track or artificial turf field surface.
12. Soccer goals must have turf wheels attached. Other sport equipment must be lifted when moved. No dragging of equipment is allowed.
13. Motor vehicles are not allowed on the track or field surface except for maintenance or emergency.
14. No high heel shoes permitted on or around the track or artificial turf field surface.
15. No use of model planes or rockets.
16. No chairs or tables are permitted on the track or artificial turf field surface.
17. No tents or canopies are permitted on the track or artificial turf field surface.
18. Teams must access the artificial turf field using matting placed on top of the track surface.
19. No stakes or poles can be stuck in the turf.
20. Only team and district personnel may be inside the 4 ft. fence during events.
21. No storage of any materials or equipment are permitted on or around the track or artificial turf field surface.
22. Sufficient quantities of trash receptacles must be kept around the stadium. Before games put little trash cans at the benches and remove them after the game. All debris must be deposited in these receptacles.
23. Foot traffic only - No bicycles, roller blades, skateboards, razors, roller skis, or strollers are permitted on the track or artificial turf field surface.
24. No animals of any kind are permitted on the track or artificial turf field surface, or on any school district field or property.
25. No painting, chalking, tape or other adhesive material without prior approval.
26. No field use when lightening is evident.
27. Groups must pick up all garbage on turf and in the bleachers after use.
28. Do not climb the fence to gain access. Severe injury can result.
29. Kicking or bouncing balls against the fences, grandstands, or any standing structure is prohibited.
30. No decorations or application of material to the field or facilities shall be allowed without the permission of the facilities office. All items must be taken down after the event.
31. No silly string or confetti are permitted at any time on the track, turf or bleachers.
32. When using the field for practice, phy. ed. classes, etc... you must alternate which end of the field you use each time.
33. Group leaders/coaches are required to remain with the group at all times and are responsible for the group's conduct and compliance with all rules.

**The undersigned is responsible for supervision of the facilities during the time he/she is scheduled to use the facility. By signing this document, you agree you have read and understand the regulations and policies of the artificial turf field and track. I understand that failure to follow these rules may result in financial penalties and/or loss of privilege to use the facility.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Houghton-Portage Twp. School District reserves the right to refuse service to any participant and/or spectator who violates any policy, procedure or engages in any verbal and or physical abuse of the Sports Complex or HPTS staff.**