



# FACILITY AND EQUIPMENT SAFETY POLICY

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Caboto Soccer Club is committed to providing a safe environment for all participants, and this includes ensuring that facilities and equipment, both public and private, are well maintained. The responsibility for conducting safety checks before every game and facility usage rests with all coaching staff and officials.

## SOCCER FIELD/FACILITY SAFETY

Any problems or concerns regarding facilities or equipment should be documented and reported to Caboto Soccer Club Admin via email at [admin@cabotosoccer.com](mailto:admin@cabotosoccer.com). Document any actions taken to address the situation, such as removing debris or cordoning off areas, for comprehensive record-keeping.

In the event of a situation beyond immediate control compromising safety, immediate notification Caboto Soccer Club is mandatory. Scheduled events in the affected area or involving the equipment should be postponed until the situation is resolved. Signage will be utilized to inform patrons of the issue, with additional communication provided upon the resolution of the situation.

## FIELD AND AREA SAFETY

- Inspect for foreign objects such as garbage, stones, glass, etc.
- Check field for holes, depressions, torn sections (if artificial turf), etc. Notify Caboto Soccer Club Admin of unsafe field conditions.
- Make sure sprinkler heads are seated.
- Make sure water drains beyond the touch line are marked for player awareness.
- Observe 3' restraining line from the touch line. Area must be obstruction free, except for coaches.
- Review fencing. No climbing to retrieve balls.
- Check bleachers/players benches for safety. Make spectators aware of bleachers that may not be safe.
- Inspect the condition of and access to locker rooms, restrooms and portable toilets.
- Survey parking lots, concessions and vendors areas for any obvious hazards. Make spectators and players aware of any hazardous conditions; and notify the club of unsafe conditions in writing as soon as practical
- Playing areas should be kept clear of all unnecessary/miscellaneous items not being used such as: pinnies, balls, water bottles and clothing.

## PORTABLE GOAL SAFETY

- Portable goal properly secured and anchored. Confirm anchoring system is not a hazard to participants.
- Permanent goals properly secured and anchored. Confirm anchoring system is not a hazard to participants.
- Conduct an inspection of the goal net and goal post, checking for sharp corners, loose bolts, and overall structural integrity.
- The goalposts are not designed to support human weight, and could fall over and cause serious injury, so players should not hang on the cross bar of goals at any time.

## FACILITY RENTALS

Caboto Soccer Club rents indoor facilities and school gymnasiums for the use of indoor training. As tenants, coaches, players and parents must respect the standards and rules of each facility:

- Players are expected to clean up after themselves.
- Alcohol and drugs are strictly prohibited inside any facility and in the parking lots.
- Players are responsible for property damage inside or outside of a facility that they cause.
- School Usages: Players should never wander around the schools. If coaches have any concerns with a school, they should be addressed these issues with Caboto Soccer Club immediately.
- Parking is permitted only in designated parking areas. Parking in 'NO PARKING' areas may result in the vehicle being towed at the owner's expense.
- It is essential that individuals do not jump over fences to enter or exit a facility; instead, they should use the nearest gate for access.

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## UNAUTHORIZED USE

The fields and rented facilities are for the use and enjoyment of Caboto Soccer Club teams and the Club's members. Unauthorized use is not permitted.

## PETS

Pets are strictly prohibited in all facilities (including Holy Names Turf). Pet owners will be kindly requested to remove their pets. This policy is implemented for the safety of players, spectators, and the well-being of the pets.

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<i>Any questions or inquires can be sent to: Club Admin of Caboto Soccer Club at <a href="mailto:admin@cabotosoccer.com">admin@cabotosoccer.com</a>.</i>			