



Jefferson Parish Department of Parks & Recreation

WAIVER REQUEST

- This is a request for your child/children to be allowed to play outside of their home playground. No one is authorized to participate out of his/her playground, including practice, until the Waiver Committee grants approval. Proof of residency (driver's license or State ID) required upon submission of this document.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

My child/children currently resides in \_\_\_\_\_ playground's district. I would like to request that he/she/they be allowed to participate at \_\_\_\_\_ playground.

Previous sport participation (including years) \_\_\_\_\_

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION (only those listed will be waived - no additions allowed after submitting request/approval):

Table with 6 columns: Name, Gender, Age, Date of Birth, Last playground participated, School attending. Includes four rows for participant data.

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Father's name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

If parents are separated/divorced, who is designated as the custodial parent? \_\_\_\_\_

WAIVER CHARGES (Make checks or money order payable to JPRD):

Unincorporated residents (Playground to Playground):.....\$25.00

Residents outside unincorporated Jefferson (Including Kenner, Harahan, Westwego, and Gretna):.....\$150.00 annually

PARENT/GUARDIAN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Initial each to acknowledge that you fully understand each of the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ I acknowledge that all the information I have given on the registration form and this waiver is true and correct.

I/We, applicants for a waiver from the Jefferson Parish Department of Parks and Recreation (JPRD), authorize JPRD to seek and obtain whatever records JPRD might require to determine my/our residency in unincorporated Jefferson Parish, specifically at the address stated herein and on my child's registration form, or to confirm my/our child's age. The records I/we herewith release include, but are not limited to: birth records, school records and any record with a public utility, or voter registrar. I hereby waive any privilege granted by law against the release of such records and hereby authorize the custodian or holder of such records to release said record(s) to JPRD, without reservation.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/We acknowledge that should any inquiry into residency or date of birth reveal that either my child's registration form or this waiver application has been completed using fraudulent information, or other than the actual birth date, SAID REVELATION WILL RESULT IN THE IMMEDIATE DISQUALIFICATION OF MY CHILD TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY JPRD PROGRAMS OR ACTIVITIES FOR A PERIOD OF ONE (1) YEAR AND ONE (1) SPORT; OR IN THE CASE OF FRAUDULENT RESIDENCY INFORMATION, MY/OUR WAIVER REQUEST IS AUTOMATICALLY DENIED AND MY/OUR CHILD (CHILDREN) IS IMMEDIATELY DISQUALIFIED FROM PARTICIPATION IN ANY JPRD PROGRAMS OR ACTIVITIES FOR A PERIOD OF ONE (1) YEAR AND ONE (1) SPORT.

\_\_\_\_\_ **If approved, I understand that it will be my responsibility to pay the required fees before this form's expiration date. If I do not submit the fees before the expiration date, this waiver will become invalid, All-star eligibility will be revoked, and I will have to reapply.**

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Parent/Guardian (only) \_\_\_\_\_

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**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:**

**PROOF OF RESIDENCY:**

Current Driver's license of parent/guardian. (If license does not have current valid address, additional utility bill required).

Address shown on driver's license \_\_\_\_\_ License No. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Above information verified by \_\_\_\_\_ Job Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

PAYMENT) If applicable, must be made upon submission of this waiver request – If denied, funds will be refunded)

Amount paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  Check  Money Order \_\_\_\_\_ Received by \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**WAIVER COMMITTEE:**

This waiver has been  Approved  Denied

Waiver Committee initials: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

Waiver Committee comments:

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# **JPRD Playground Participation Selection Policy**

## **Beginning January 2021**

The Goal of the Playground Participation Selection Policy is to:

1. Increase participation in youth sports at playgrounds throughout Jefferson Parish.
2. Give Jefferson Parish families a choice in which playground their child will participate in youth sports.
3. Elevate the quality of youth sport programming at playgrounds across the parish and introduce new and diverse sport programming options.
4. Provide an alternative to “travel ball” that offers children a more competitive, instructive and organized environment for league play at playgrounds.
5. Evaluate the allocation of staff and financial resources based on participation clusters.
6. Look for ways to repurpose playgrounds with low or declining participation based on current needs and desires of the public.

## **Jefferson Parish Parks and Recreation**

### **Playground Participation Selection Policy**

The Jefferson Parish Parks and Recreation Department has established a Playground Participation Selection policy whereby participants select a playground to participate in youth sports. The policy allows participants to select a playground, regardless of residency in Unincorporated Jefferson Parish, while attempting to maintain a competitive balance between recreation centers.

#### **General Playground Participation Selection Guidelines:**

- Playground Participation Selection for a given sport will be completed through the Jefferson Parish Recreation Department’s online registration system.
- All participants in JPRD youth athletic programs will be asked to show residency. Based on residency, an In-Parish or Out of District Participation Fee will be assessed. A current Driver’s License or State Issued ID will be required for residency verification.
- Participation in youth sports by children living in Kenner, Gretna, Harahan, and Westwego are allowed to participate at Jefferson Parish playgrounds so long as the annual Out of District Participation Fee is paid to JPRD.
- All Out of District (Out of Jefferson Parish) buffer zones will be eliminated and a new Out of District Participation policy will be enacted as described in this document.
- Proof of past participation in youth sports at Jefferson Parish playgrounds will be required for all Out of District participants in order to avoid any all-star “sit-out” requirements.

## Playground Participation Selection Process

### Participants from Unincorporated Jefferson Parish

- **Participants who have never played in Jefferson Parish**
  - If a participant has never participated in youth sports in Jefferson Parish, the participant will be allowed to choose a HOME playground under the following conditions:
    - Once the HOME playground is chosen for the participant, the participant must remain at the HOME playground for both intramural and all-star competition in all youth sports offered in Jefferson Parish.
      - EXCEPTION: If the participants HOME playground does not offer a particular youth sport that the participant wishes to participate in for either intramural play or all-star competition, the participant may choose to participate in that sport at any other Jefferson Parish Playground for the unavailable sport ONLY.
    - If after the HOME playground is established, the Participant wants to choose another playground as his/her HOME playground, the following will apply:
      - 1<sup>st</sup> HOME Playground re-assignment – \$25 processing fee and a one year participant “sit-out” for all-stars, from the date of the approved re-assignment.
      - 2<sup>nd</sup> HOME Playground re-assignment - \$25 processing fee and one year participant “sit-out” for all-stars, from the date of the approved re-assignment.
- **Participants who have played or are currently playing at a playground in Jefferson Parish**
  - If a participant has previously participated in youth sports at a playground in Jefferson Parish, the participant will be allowed to choose a new HOME playground under the following conditions:
    - Once the new HOME playground is chosen for the participant, the participant must remain at the HOME playground for both intramural and all-star competition in all youth sports offered in Jefferson Parish. In addition, the participant will be excluded from participating in All-Star competition for one year from the date of the new HOME playground selection.
      - EXCEPTION: If the participants HOME playground does not offer a particular youth sport that the participant wishes to participate in for either intramural play or all-star

competition, the participant may choose to participate in that sport at any other Jefferson Parish Playground for the unavailable sport ONLY.

- If after the new HOME playground is established, the Participant wants to choose another playground as his/her HOME playground, the following will apply:
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> HOME Playground re-assignment – \$25 processing fee and a one year participant “sit-out” for all-stars, from the date of the approved re-assignment.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> HOME Playground re-assignment – \$25 processing fee and a one year participant “sit-out” for all-stars, from the date of the approved re-assignment.

### Participants residing in Kenner, Gretna, Harahan, Westwego

- **Participants from Kenner, Gretna, Harahan, and Westwego who have never played in Jefferson Parish**
  - If a participant in this category has never participated in youth sports in Jefferson Parish, the participant will be allowed to choose a HOME playground under the following conditions:
    - The HOME playground is chosen for the participant. The participant must remain at the HOME playground for both intramural and all-star competition in all youth sports offered in Jefferson Parish.
      - EXCEPTION: If the participants HOME playground does not offer a particular youth sport that the participant wishes to participate in for either intramural play or all-star competition, the participant may choose to participate in that sport at any other Jefferson Parish Playground for the unavailable sport ONLY.
    - A \$150 Out of District Participation Fee will be assessed annually per household plus any insurance fees assessed by JPRD.
    - The participant will not be eligible for Jefferson Parish all-star teams for one year after the participant signs up to play in Jefferson Parish for the first time. In addition to the one year “sit-out” from All-Stars, the participant may be excluded from certain all-star teams based on individual sport franchise rules that are out of the control of JPRD.
  - If the Participant wants to choose another playground as his/her HOME playground after the HOME playground has been established, the following will apply:
    - 1<sup>st</sup> HOME playground re-assignment - \$150 Out of District Participation Fee will be assessed annually per household plus any insurance fees assessed by JPRD. There will be a one year participant “sit-out” for all-stars, from the date of the approved re-assignment.

- **Participants from Kenner, Gretna, Harahan, and Westwego who have played or are currently playing at a playground in Jefferson Parish**
  - If a participant in this category has participated or is participating in youth sports in Jefferson Parish, the participant will be allowed to continue to play at his/her current playground without any sit-out requirement for all stars as long as the \$150 Out of District Participation Fee is paid annually. However, the participant may choose a new HOME playground under the following conditions:
    - If a new HOME playground is desired, the participant must remain at the new HOME playground for both intramural and all-star competition in all youth sports offered in Jefferson Parish.
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#### Participants residing in Parishes outside of Jefferson Parish

- **Participants from Parishes outside of Jefferson Parish who have never played in Jefferson Parish**
  - If a participant in this category has never participated in youth sports in Jefferson Parish, the participant will be allowed to choose a HOME playground under the following conditions:
    - The HOME playground is chosen for the participant. The participant must remain at the HOME playground for both intramural and all-star competition in all youth sports offered in Jefferson Parish.
      - EXCEPTION: If the participants HOME playground does not offer a particular youth sport that the participant wishes to participate in for either intramural play or all-star competition, the participant may choose to participate in that sport at any other Jefferson Parish Playground for the unavailable sport ONLY.

- A \$150 Out of District Participation Fee will be assessed annually per household plus any insurance fees assessed by JPRD.
  - The participant will not be eligible for Jefferson Parish all-star teams for two years after the participant signs up to play in Jefferson Parish for the first time. In addition to the two year “sit-out” from All-Stars, the participant may be excluded from certain all-star teams based on individual sport franchise rules that are out of the control of JPRD.
  - If the Participant wants to choose another playground as his/her HOME playground after the HOME playground has been established, the following will apply:
    - 1<sup>st</sup> HOME playground re-assignment - \$150 Out of District Participation Fee will be assessed annually per household plus any insurance fees assessed by JPRD. There will be a two year participant “sit-out” for all-stars, from the date of the approved re-assignment.
- **Participants from Parishes outside of Jefferson Parish who have played or are currently playing at a playground in Jefferson Parish**
  - If a participant in this category has participated or is participating in youth sports in Jefferson Parish, the participant will be allowed to continue to play at his/her current playground without any sit-out requirement for all stars as long as the \$150 Out of District Participation Fee is paid annually. However, the participant may choose a new HOME playground under the following conditions:
    - If a new HOME playground is desired, the participant must remain at the new HOME playground for both intramural and all-star competition in all youth sports offered in Jefferson Parish.
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