

Sports Field Fee Changes

Background

The City of Dublin has adopted a new, simplified pricing and registration structure for parks and recreation services and amenities, such as Dublin Community Recreation Center memberships, facility rentals, pool passes and sports field use.

As of Jan. 1, prices fall into two categories: City of Dublin residents and non-residents. While all are welcome to enjoy our exceptional recreational opportunities, tax-subsidized pricing and priority registration will be reserved as a benefit for City of Dublin residents.

The new structure is based on insights from the 2023 Parks & Recreation Master Plan and the City's recent cost study. Discounted pricing and priority registration are a benefit reserved for City of Dublin residents and are no longer offered for non-residents who live within the Dublin City Schools boundary.

Not sure if you live within city limits?

Use our address checker to see if your household is within city limits.

Visit [DublinOhioUSA.gov/recreation-services/](https://dublinohiousa.gov/recreation-services/) to check your address and find more information on our updated structure.



What amenities are part of this update?

- Dublin Community Recreation Center Memberships, Classes and Facility Rentals
- Outdoor Pool Memberships
- Community Event Tickets
- Sports Field Use Fees

The City of Dublin welcomes all to enjoy our Parks & Recreation services, regardless of residency, and will continue to provide the best experiences and amenities to our residents at the best price.

We look forward to working with other regional partners toward future planning and funding opportunities to serve the recreation needs of the greater region.

Questions?

Please find a list of frequently asked questions on the back of this document. For further questions, contact Events Administrator Lori Gischel at 614.410.4516.



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FAQ

How does the updated pricing structure compare to the previous model and rates?

The previous structure included reduced fees and/or priority registration for Dublin City School District residents. That category is being eliminated. Additionally, most fees include a 5% increase for 2025 to accommodate rising expenses, including competitive wage rates to ensure appropriate staffing levels.

Why is this change necessary?

As identified in the 2023 Parks & Recreation Master Plan, the City must prioritize its residents because of the growing demand for recreation amenities and increasing operational costs. The City's previous policy of extending subsidized pricing to Dublin City Schools residents is no longer sustainable given capacity challenges.



Will this change facility rentals?

Facility rentals follow the new structure.

I pay Dublin taxes, so is my address still Dublin?

Please use our address checker linked in the QR code, which will help verify your address. It's important to remember that the City of Dublin and Dublin City Schools are two separate entities with different boundaries. The Dublin City School District is funded primarily through property taxes; the City is funded primarily with income taxes.

How does this impact sports field use fees?

Fee changes for sports field use will be effective Fall 2025. Similar to years past, sports organizations utilizing City sports fields for league play will submit rosters on a seasonal basis. Fees will continue to be calculated based on each participant's residency. For competitive levels of play above general recreation, Dublin residents will be assessed a field use fee of \$15/season. All nonresidents, including school district residents living outside of the Dublin city limits, will be assigned a separate field use fee per season depending on the sports field. Updated field use fees are posted on the City's website at DublinOhioUSA.gov/recreation-services/facility-rentals/sports-field-use-applications/.

These City fees are in addition to any costs related to the sports organizations. Fees will be collected through each sports organization and forwarded to the City of Dublin on an annual basis. The fees will help offset the ongoing operating costs and assist in the future development or enhancement of recreational

Why does my address say Dublin, but my zip code doesn't?

Jurisdictions can be tricky! A City resident is defined as someone who lives within the corporate limits of the City of Dublin. Those who reside within the Dublin School District and do not live within the City of Dublin's corporate limits are classified as a Non-Resident.