



## Community Recreation • Health & Safety Protocol

As outlined in the MOU/Agreement between the Nantucket Community School (NCS) and the Town of Nantucket (TON), NCS develops programs, coordinates schedules and processes the field-use permits for TON fields. The permit application process requires space requests, description, length and duration of the program and proof of liability insurance specific to each applicant/organization. It is understood that organizations in receipt of field-use permits approved by NCS remain outside the definition of an NCS organized program or camp.

Effective December 31, 2016, any organization seeking a field-use permit for programs to occur on TON fields between June 1<sup>st</sup> and September 7<sup>th</sup> of any future year are expected to meet all requirements for camp licensure, per state mandate. NCS's Community Recreation Coordinator and/or Director are available to provide supportive guidance to each organization. Applicants are encouraged to schedule individual meetings to discuss the possibility of inclusion under NCS's ACKventure Camp licensure and subsequent marketing options for the 2017 season.

Effective immediately and for the remainder of the 2016 summer season, NCS has implemented the following Health & Safety protocols to be followed by all permitted organizations using TON fields:

### PROTECTION FROM THE SUN

**During summer programming**, all participants are required to arrive at the field/program with sunscreen already applied. Participants are requested to apply sunscreen at the beginning of any outdoor activity. Staff and participants are encouraged to reduce their exposure to ultraviolet light from the sun and to wear sun hats and sunglasses, apply lip balm with sunscreen and to reapply sunscreen protection before and after each activity especially following water-based activities.

In the event of **extreme heat index** on the island, NCS's Community Recreation Coordinator will be in contact with NCS's Lead Health Supervisor and Organization's Leader (located on TON fields) to discuss and determine plans for the day. Organizations must provide water and shade to staff and participants at all times. However, some extreme cases may call for a decreased level of activity or limitation on outdoor activities. These adjustments will occur on a case by case basis. Please see outline below:

### EXTREME HEAT at DELTA & NOBADEER FARM TURF & GRASS FIELDS

If the air temperature reaches 80 degrees Fahrenheit, or if the field temperature exceeds 110 degrees Fahrenheit, one of the following protocols will take place:

1. **Cancellation Plan**
  - a. If both Turf field and Grass fields are deemed too dangerous for risk of heat related illness, all activity will be canceled for the day and/or remainder of the day.
2. **Alternative Site Plan**
  - a. If the Turf field is deemed too dangerous for risk of heat related illness, but the Grass fields are cleared for use, all activity may be transferred to the identified grass field (Delta-Upper Grass) for the day and/or remainder of the day.
3. **Alternative Watering Plan**
  - a. If the Turf field is deemed too dangerous for risk of heat related illness, activity may continue to occur on the Turf field **ONLY** if the following watering plan is strictly adhered to:
    - i. Fields must be watered at beginning of the day prior to first use.
    - ii. Fields must be watered for at least **5 minutes** every **15 minutes** for the duration of the activity/program.
    - iii. During watering, participants must exit Turf field, remain under shade and drink water.