



Field Maintenance Procedures

- Sweep:
 - Use the push brooms to brush the dirt out of the grass in high traffic areas such as opposite 1st and 3rd base, behind home plate, on the approaches to home plate
 - Be forceful. The grass can handle it.
 - Being diligent on a regular basis prevents lips

- Rake:
 - Use the rakes to smooth and level the home plate circle, base paths and pitcher's mound
 - Always push the dirt on the pitcher's mound up
 - Keep rake 4-6" from edge of grass
 - Rake traction and sliding areas to make level.

- Drag:
 - Use the drags to smooth and level the infield skin.
 - Keep drags 6" away from grass edge. Never drag over the grass edge.
 - Always lift and shake out drags over the dirt. Smooth shaken dirt with rake.
 - Drag with bases out. Use drags to level 'traction areas'
 - Always hang drags so that corners do not become bent.

- Water:
 - Our infields never get enough water.
 - If there is dust, there is not enough water.

- o Use the infield sprinklers for the infield skin area. Use the hose for the mound, plate and base paths.
 - o No mud.
 - o Last water of the day should be heavy. Ground should have a sheen, but no puddles.
- Close:
 - o Put bases away.
 - o Lock sheds, knock boxes and field gates.
 - o Replace base plug markers.
 - o Make note of any missing equipment or field damage and contact Todd Peart (xpeart@earthlink.net)
 - o Clean dugouts of all trash.
 - o Hang/stack/put away rakes, drags, hoses, screens, etc. NEATLY.