



SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP, MONTGOMERY COUNTY PARK EVENT PERMIT REQUEST



Event Specifications

Springfield Township Parks and Recreation requires organizers of large events to obtain an approved permit. Large events are defined as groups of 25 people or more.

Facilities Available for Use

Large public and private events are limited to James A. Cisco Park, located at 199 W. Montgomery Avenue, Erdenheim, PA 19038. This permit does not entitle the permit holder to exclusive use of the park, pavilion and/or the playground at Cisco Park. The following facilities are available within James A. Cisco Park:

GAZEBO
Located near Hillcrest Pond

All other Springfield Township parks are reserved for open use by the public or as open green space and are unavailable for event use. Special approval must be obtained from the Board of Commissioners for an event to take place on Township property other than the above-mentioned areas within Cisco Park.

Permitted Uses

This application is intended for organizers of public and private events and/or gatherings on Township property with an expected size of twenty-five (25) people or more that does not directly benefit Springfield Township and/or its affiliated organizations. Springfield Township reserves the right to limit the use of its facility when an activity that is deemed dangerous or may interfere with Township operations, special Township meetings, or Township or community programs or events.

Fee Schedule

Park Event	
Category	Fee
A	\$25/hr
B	\$50/hr
C	No Fee

Category A Permit - \$25 per hour + \$20 per hour Site Supervisor Fee

- Springfield Township community youth sports organization - Minimum of 75% Springfield Township Residents
- Springfield Township based community, civic, non-profit or political organizations located in Springfield Township (*IE: Rotary Club, Lions Club, VFW, etc.*)
- County, State, Federal, elected officials representing Springfield Township

Category B Permit - \$50 per hour + \$20 per hour Site Supervisor Fee

- Private Citizen (resident only)
- Springfield Township based For-Profit Organizations, Businesses and Commercial Organizations

Please note, residents may not permit facilities on behalf of Non-Profit, For-Profit Organizations, Businesses and Commercial Organizations located outside Township boundaries.



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Category C Permit – No Charge + \$20 per hour Site Supervisor Fee

- Springfield Township Parks and Recreation sponsored or co-sponsored activities, programs and events
- Springfield Township School District sponsored sports, activities, programs and events (*IE: Enfield Color Days*)
- Springfield Township Affiliated Organizations (*Flourtown Fire Company, Oreland Volunteer Fire Company, Wyndmoor Hose Company No. 1, and Community Ambulance Association of Ambler*)
- Springfield Township based civic organization offering a free community event to the general public. No money may be collected prior to, or during the event. Security deposit will be required to secure the event date.

Full payment must be submitted at least 10 business days before the requested reservation date. Failure to pay within ten days may void the permit. The event permit will not be **officially** scheduled until all fees are paid in **full**.

A **\$200 security deposit** is required for all permits to be processed. Security deposits must be a separate check from and submitted with the permit fee, upon approval of the request. Security deposit checks are either shredded or voided and returned to you after your permit barring any violations. Violations include: excess or littered trash, damage to structure, furnishings, and/or fields.

Park Event Request Disclaimer

This application is intended for organizers of public and private events and/or gatherings on Township property that does not directly benefit Springfield Township and/or its affiliated organizations.

Arrangements for your event/gathering should not be made until you have received permit approval from the Springfield Township Parks and Recreation Department.

Springfield Township Parks and Recreation oversees the scheduling of all Township owned athletic facilities. The Springfield School District is a separate entity and is not affiliated with Township owned athletic facilities

Permit Application Process

Step 1: Completing this agreement serves as a request until it is approved by the Springfield Township Parks and Recreation staff. Requests must be received 21 days prior to permit date requested. No deposit or payment is due with the request form. Submitting a request is NOT a guarantee of availability or approval.

Step 2: Springfield Township Parks and Recreation staff will notify the applicant of request approval. Failure to submit payment by date requested will make the request null and void. All requests are processed as identified in the Event Specifications. Requests will be reviewed based on Springfield Township Parks and Recreation policy, facility and staff availability. Springfield Township Parks and Recreation reserves the right to deny any permit which is deemed inappropriate.

Step 3: Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis. In the event multiple requests are received, applications will be reviewed simultaneously.



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Hours of Use

The scheduled time noted on permit INCLUDES set-up and clean up. Please do not arrive prior to time shown on the permit and make sure you clean up by the scheduled time. Event set-up and break-down must be completed within the time listed on the permit. Park Event facility is available:

- Monday through Sunday Dawn to Dusk
- Township parks are closed from sundown to sunrise

Damage to Property by the Renter and its Invitees

The renter and its employees, officials, volunteers and agents shall be solely responsible for any loss or damage to property of the permit holder or its invitees, employees, officials, volunteers, agents and representatives while such property is on, at or adjacent to the premises of the Springfield Township.

Cancelation Policy

There are NO REFUNDS for inclement weather. If cancelling more than ten business days prior to permit, 90% of the permit fee will be refunded, the remaining 10% is non-refundable. If cancelling within ten business days of permit, 50% of the permit fee will be applied and the remaining 50% is non-refundable

Amenities

NO ELECTRIC OR RUNNING WATER is available for use. One portable public toilet is available at the entrance near the playground. Springfield Township will not provide equipment nor are they responsible for any materials left behind.

Trash

The permit holder is responsible for leaving the venue clean upon departure. Bulk trash shall be removed from the premises by the permit holder. If additional clean-up is required by the Township, an additional fee of \$50 per hour will be charged for clean-up.

Alcohol & Tobacco Policy

Alcohol and Tobacco use is strictly PROHIBITED. Township Ordinance 59-4 prohibits using tobacco products and/or engaging in the consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages within parks, recreation areas, playgrounds, community buildings, athletic fields, bodies of water and any other Township park and recreation area open for public recreational use.

Hillcrest Pond

Swimming or bathing a human or animal and/or bringing into or operating any boat, raft or other watercraft, whether motor-powered or not, in or upon any waters, waterways and water fountains is STRICTLY PROHIBITED.

Grills & Barbeques

Grilling and/or barbecuing is strictly PROHIBITED. Township Ordinance 59-4 prohibits open burning, fires, or the use of portable stoves, barbecues or similar devices for cooking, heating or any other purpose within parks, recreation areas, playgrounds, community buildings, athletic fields, bodies of water and any other Township park and recreation area open for public recreational use.



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Catering & Food Trucks

All food establishments located in Montgomery County must have a valid Montgomery County Office of Public Health (OPH) License to Operate a Food Service Establishment and insurance. The license must be posted in a conspicuous place. The license is not transferable. Food establishments are facilities that store, serve and/or prepare food for public consumption; they include but may not be limited to restaurants, retail food stores, caterers, cafeterias, mobile food vendors, and non-profit charitable facilities. Copies of license and insurance shall be provided to the Township upon request.

Entertainment

Entertainment Activities will require a certificate of insurance naming the Township as an additional insured to any general liability insurance policy maintained by the group/organization. Such coverage is deemed to be primary and non-contributory. Copies of insurance shall be provided to the Township upon request.

Waiver of Subrogation

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the permit holder and its employees, officials, volunteers, agents and representatives waive any right of recovery against the Springfield Township and their elected and appointed officials, officers, volunteers, consultants, agents and employees for any and all claims, liability, loss, damage, costs or expense (including attorneys' fees) arising out of the permit holder's use or occupancy of the premises of the Springfield Township or arising out of permit holder's operations on, at or adjacent to any premises of Springfield Township. Such waiver shall apply regardless of the cause of origin of the loss or damage, including the negligence of Springfield Township and its elected and appointed officials, officers, volunteers, consultants, agents and employees. The permit holder shall advise its insurers of the foregoing and such waiver shall be provided under the permit holder's commercial property and liability insurance policies and the permit holder's workers compensation insurance policy, if any.

Insurance Requirements

Compliance with the following insurance provisions are required to use or occupy the Springfield Township Recreation Center (the "Premises") or conduct operations incidental thereto unless waived or modified by the Township in its sole discretion. Any such waiver or modification shall be authorized in a written communication from the Township Manager.

1. The Renter shall secure and maintain, at its own expense, throughout the term of this agreement or its use or occupancy of the Premises commercial general liability insurance or its equivalent which insures against bodily injury, property damage, personal injury and advertising injury claims arising from the Renter's use or occupancy of the Premises or operations incidental thereto, with minimum limits of:
 - a. \$ 1,000,000 each occurrence;
 - b. \$ 1,000,000 personal and advertising injury;
 - c. \$ 2,000,000 general aggregate; and
 - d. \$ 1,000,000 products/completed operations aggregate.
2. This commercial general liability insurance or its equivalent shall include the following:
 - a. Occurrence-based coverage (claims made coverage is not acceptable);
 - b. Liability arising from athletic or sports participation;
 - c. Liability arising from bodily injury to spectators; and
 - d. At the Township's request, Host liquor liability coverage and minimum \$1,000,000 per occurrence limit requirement.
3. The liability coverage outlined in sections 1 and 2 above may be met by using the following:
 - a. Commercial general liability insurance;
 - b. Endorsement to homeowner's or renter's policy; or
 - c. Event liability insurance



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4. If the Renter is anyone other than an individual (e.g., business, commercial, for-profit or non-profit entity), the Renter shall secure and maintain, at its own expense, throughout the term of this agreement or its use or occupancy of the Premises business auto liability insurance which insures against bodily injury and property damage claims arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of "any auto" (if no owned autos, hired and non-owned autos). A minimum combined single limit of liability for bodily injury and property damage of \$1,000,000 per accident shall apply.
5. If the Renter has any employees, the Renter shall secure and maintain, at its own expense, throughout the term of this agreement or its use or occupancy of the Premises workers compensation insurance or its equivalent with statutory benefits as required by any Federal law, including standard "other states" coverage, and employers liability insurance or its equivalent with minimum limits of:
 - a. \$100,000 each accident for bodily injury by accident;
 - b. \$100,000 each employee for bodily injury by disease; and
 - c. \$500,000 policy limit for bodily injury by disease.
6. If requested by Springfield Township, the Renter shall secure and maintain, at its own expense, throughout the term of this agreement or its use or occupancy of the Premises umbrella excess liability or excess liability insurance or its equivalent with minimum limits of:
 - a. \$1,000,000 per occurrence;
 - b. \$1,000,000 aggregate for other than products/completed operations and auto liability; and
 - c. \$1,000,000 products/completed operations aggregate and including all of the following coverages on the applicable schedule of underlying insurance:
 - i. Commercial general liability;
 - ii. Business auto liability; and
 - iii. Employer's liability.
7. Evidence of Insurance/Insurers requirements
 - a. Renter shall furnish certificates of all insurance, acceptable to Springfield Township, evidencing all policies required above at execution of this agreement and prior to each renewal thereafter. Such insurance shall be written with insurers licensed to do business in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with a current Best Insurance Reports rating of "A-" "V II" or better, unless otherwise approved by Springfield Township. The Township hereby grants specific approval for the acquisition of workers compensation and employers liability insurance from the State Workers' Insurance Fund (SWIF) of Pennsylvania.
8. All insurance policies required hereunder shall be endorsed to include the following provisions:
 - a. List "Springfield Township" and its elected and appointed officials, employees and authorized volunteers as additional insureds as respects the use or occupancy of the Premises under all coverage except Worker's Compensation and accident and health policies, and the certificate of insurance (or the certified policy if requested) must so state.
 - b. Coverage provided by the Renter hereunder shall be primary as respects the Township; it's elected and appointed officials, agents, volunteers and employees. Any coverage maintained by the Township shall apply in excess of the insurance required by this agreement.
 - c. This policy is not subject to cancellation, non-renewal, material change, or reduction in coverage until after 30 days prior written notice has been given to the Township. (Therefore, the words "endeavor to" and "but failure to mail such notice shall impose no obligation or liability of any kind upon the company, its agents or representatives" are to be eliminated from the cancellation provisions of standard ACORD certificates of insurance.)
9. Any acceptance and/ or approval of any insurance by the Township shall not be construed as relieving or excusing the Renter from any liability or obligation imposed upon the Renter by the provisions of this agreement.



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PARK EVENT PERMIT REQUEST



Park Event Request Check List

Please read the contents of this Park Event Permit Request in entirety. Complete and return the following forms to the contact below:

Mail:
Springfield Township
Parks and Recreation Department
1510 Paper Mill Road
Wyndmoor, PA 19038
Attn: Parks and Recreation

Email:
Jim Murphy, Director of Parks and Recreation
jmurphy@springfieldmontco.org
215-836-7600

Completed Athletic Field Permit Requests will be comprised of the following documents:

_____ **Permit Request Form**

Incomplete forms will not be accepted.

_____ **Insurance**

Certificate of Insurance will list "Springfield Township" as additionally insured.

*Springfield Township
1510 Paper Mill Road
Wyndmoor, PA 19038*

_____ **Security Deposit-** A **\$200 security deposit** is required for all permits to be processed.

For Fundraising or Organization Events: *(not intended for small parties)*

_____ **Food Establishment Forms** – Current Food Service Establishment License from Montgomery County Department of Public Health and a Copy of the Food Vendor's Insurance.

_____ **Entertainment Forms** - A Copy of Insurance from each entertainment provider.



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Please read the contents of this Park Event Permit Request Packet in its entirety.

This permit does not entitle the permit holder to exclusive use of the playground. Select the facilities needed:

Facility Requested:	<input type="checkbox"/> Cisco Park Gazebo
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Organization Name _____

Organization Address _____

Permit Holder Name _____

Purpose for Use _____

Contact Phone Number _____

Contact E-mail _____

Approximate # of Guests _____

Exact Date & Time Requested
(includes set-up/break-down) _____

Please Describe Your Event

Food Establishment and Entertainment Activities (DJ, Ballon Artist, etc.) require a certificate of insurance naming the Township as an additional insured to any general liability insurance policy. List of activities below:



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Indemnification

In consideration for permission to use Springfield Township’s park and recreation facility, Applicant agrees to the fullest extent permitted by law to defend, indemnify, pay on behalf of, and save harmless Springfield Township, its elected and appointed officials, agents, employees, and authorized volunteers against any and all claims, liability, demands, suits or loss, including attorneys’ fees and all other costs connected therewith, arising out of or connected to the Applicant’s use or occupancy of the premises of Springfield Township.

Signature below will acknowledge acceptance of the aforementioned conditions

Permit Holder:

Date of Application

Signature of Permit Holder

Printed Name of Permit Holder

Springfield Township:

Date of Approval

Township Representative Signature of Approval

Township Representative Printed Name

Office Use Only

Rental Fee and Requirements

Category A - \$25/hr

Category B - \$50/hr

Category C – No Charge

Security Deposit - \$200

Permit Fee: Group Rate _____ x _____ # of hours = \$ _____ **Total Fee**

Date Received:	
Payment & Security Deposit Check #:	
Liability Insurance:	
Rental Approved or Denied:	

Email completed forms to jmurphy@springfieldmontco.org.
Or mail to: Springfield Township Attn: Parks and Recreation
1510 Paper Mill Road Wyndmoor, PA 19038