

Coram's Fields Pitch Hire – Terms and Conditions

1. Safeguarding of children and young people

- a) As a charity for children and young people, Coram's Fields hires out its football pitches to generate essential income to run our park and playgrounds and to deliver our services to the local community. Our space is first and foremost a safe space for children. We ask that all hirers of our pitches respect this and behave appropriately when using our facilities.
- b) Our park and pitches are supervised by staff members that have undergone safeguarding training. All pitch users should raise any safeguarding concerns with staff immediately.

2. Payment

- a) All pitch hire is booked and paid for via Playfinder - <https://www.playfinder.com/london/venue/coram-s-fields>
- b) All bookings must be paid for ahead of the booking taking place.

3. Included in each booking are the following only:

- a) 1 x 8-a-side floodlit astroturf pitch with the option of either 5-a-side or 8-a-side goals.
- b) 1 x changing room with shower facilities - if additional changing rooms are required, these can be booked for an additional £10 per room.

4. Age-specific bookings

- a) Any hirers booked into age-specific slots (i.e. 16-19 year old or 20-25 year old bookings) must ensure all members of the booking fit within that age bracket.
- b) Coram's Fields reserves the right for staff to carry out random ID checks where players appear to be older than the age range they have booked.

5. Cancellations by the hirer

- a) All hirers wishing to cancel must provide at least 30 days' notice to be eligible for a refund or to have their booking rescheduled.
- b) Any cancellation made within 30 days of a booking will not receive a refund.

6. Cancellations by the venue

- a) Coram's Fields reserves the right to cancel any booking.
- b) Coram's Fields will endeavour to keep such instances to a minimum and to provide as much notice as possible to the hirer, either via Playfinder or by the venue itself.
- c) All bookings cancelled by the venue will receive a full refund or re-arranged booking.

7. Entering and vacating the premises

- a) Anyone over the age of 16 hiring the pitches must use the pitch gate to enter and exit the premises, accessed from Mecklenburgh Square or Brunswick Square.
 - i. The adjacent park and playground facilities (accessed from Guilford Street) are strictly for children and adults who are accompanying children (16 and under). No one over 16 can enter or exit the pitches from Guilford Street.
- b) Hirers must arrive no earlier than 20 minutes before their booking. Access to changing rooms will be provided 15 minutes before your booking.

Coram's Fields Telephone: 020 7837 6138
93 Guilford Street Email: info@coramsfields.org.uk
London WC1N 1DN www.coramsfields.org

- c) Hirers must report to the ground staff office upon arrival, located along with the changing rooms in a white building at the corner of the pitches.
- d) Hirers must vacate their changing room 20 minutes after their booking end time.
- e) It is the responsibility of hirers to ensure that their changing room is locked when not in use. Please be aware that Coram's Fields accepts no responsibility for the loss or damage of personal belongings.

8. Conditions regarding appropriate use of pitches

- a) Hirers are expected to follow the following conditions when using our pitches.
 - i. Hirers must not litter.
 - ii. Hirers must only use the pitch from their booking start time to their booking end time.
 - iii. Hirers must not use offensive language.
 - iv. Hirers must not engage in any physical or verbal abuse towards staff or other pitch users.
 - v. Hirers must only go to the toilet using the facilities provided, never on the pitches themselves.
 - vi. Hirers must only get changed in the changing rooms, never on the pitches themselves.
 - vii. Hirers must only wear trainers, astroturf trainers or round moulded studs. No bladed studs are to be worn.
 - viii. Hirers must never drink alcohol or smoke on the premises.
 - ix. Hirers must never use cricket or hockey balls.
 - x. Hirers must always keep their shirts on.
 - xi. Hirers must not bring dogs or other animals onto the premises.
 - xii. Hirers must not consume any food on the pitches.
 - xiii. Hirers must not bring bicycles onto the pitches.
- b) Coram's Fields reserves the right to remove, ban and cancel bookings for any pitch user from the premises for failing to follow any of the conditions laid out in section 7 (a). At Coram's Fields we take the safeguarding of our staff particularly seriously and have a zero-tolerance policy of verbal or physical abuse towards them.