



Dear college and high school coaches and players:

The Albuquerque Isotopes would like to welcome you to our facility. We hope that your time at Isotopes Park is enjoyable. The field, and staff, has been multiple recipients of the Sports Turf Manager's Association and the Pacific Coast League Field of the Year awards. We take great pride in providing the optimal playing surface for all the field's players. Due to the high number of events that take place on the field at Isotopes Park, the maintenance staff is requesting your cooperation in limiting the wear and tear on the playing surface. Your attention to and respect for these requests is greatly appreciated and will assist us in providing the best playing surface of your players.

- ***Batting and infield practice*** must be ***approved*** by the **Head Groundskeeper, Craig Sampsell** at least one week in advance of the event
  - These activities are subject to change due to weather and field conditions on the day of the event
  - The indoor cages will be available for teams to use when the field is off limits for practicing
- **NO SPIKES** are allowed to be worn during ***batting practice or infield practice*** (**Spikes are only allowed during the game**)
  - Only players wearing turf shoes will be allowed to participate in batting practice and in/out practice
- Warm up throwing is NOT allowed in foul territory
- Warm up throwing in the outfield should be a minimum of ***20 feet away*** from all ***edges*** and the ***foul lines***
- Warm up swings are NOT allowed on the grass
  - This specifically includes on-deck batters during the game
  - These activities can be performed on the warning track and skinned walk-up areas between the dugouts and home-plate
- Pitchers should be encouraged to stay on the clay surface of the mound after throwing their pitch, if the ball is not put in play
  - They can perform any necessary actions if the ball is put into play

Your respect for and cooperation with these requests will assist the field maintenance crew in providing the best possible playing surface for your games. We thank you in advance for your attention to these requests. If you have any questions or concerns either before you arrive or while you are at Isotopes Park please feel free to contact Craig Sampsell, Head Groundskeeper. Thank you in advance for your understanding.

Sincerely,  
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