56310 Football Pitch Hire

I respectfully request the following information regarding the cost of hiring football pitches (both natural grass and synthetic 3G/4G) from your authority, broken down by year over the last 10 years (i.e., from 2015–16 financial year through to 2025-2026 or most recent figures):

Pitch Hire Rates

Please provide, for each type of football pitch you operate (natural grass & synthetic 3G/4G):

The standard hire cost per hour; (or session)

- at weekends
- at weeknights (e.g., after 5pm)
- during weekday daytime hours (e.g., 9am–5pm) (if different from above)

Please refer to the attached spreadsheet with accompanying notes which provide the rates requested. The rates include larger equipment such as goals, nets, fencing, etc., but no other equipment. Changing facilities are included, except for pitches located at Primary and Special Schools.

The data for 2015/16 and 2016/17 is not available.

Additional Costs

For the above time periods and pitch types:

Any additional charges for hiring use of:

Changing rooms or facility hire

Equipment hire (e.g. goals, nets, fencing)

Please specify whether these costs are included in the above hire rate or are charged as separate line items, and provide the separate values.

These are included in the rates quoted within the attached spreadsheet, except for Primary and Special School lets.

Where the pitch is located at a Primary or Special School, the costs are only for the pitch area itself. They do not include a specific area in the school. The charge for the room would depend on the specific room the applicant has requested to use.

The vast majority of our Primary/Special School football bookings are just for the pitch area only and they do not require/request access to the school. We do not hold the rates for such requests.

More information is available through the two links below:

https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/venues/primary-special-school-lets

https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/venues/secondary-school-lets