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BMX TRACK AT DWIGHT MERKEL SPORTS COMPLEX HOURS OF OPERATION



Public Access to the BMX Track at Dwight Merkel Sports Complex is currently being limited to prevent over use until the dirt has further compacted.

Here is the current schedule for public access:

BMX TRACK OPEN

Limited hours-track still under construction

Weekdays 5pm – 8pm

Saturday & Sunday 1pm – 7pm

Beginning Saturday, August 14, public access will be 1pm – 7pm daily

Track Closed for BMX races on these Saturdays:

Aug 21, Sept 4, 18; Oct 2, 16, 30

About the Dwight Merkel Sports Complex

Named for one of the city's most influential figures in the development of athletic competition for children, the Dwight Merkel Sports Complex was constructed using \$7 million from the 2007 City of Spokane Parks Improvement Bond along with \$4 million from the sale of park property that was approved by City voters in 1999 and subsequently held in reserve.

The new Dwight Merkel Sports Complex features:

- Six full size natural grass soccer fields
- Two full size synthetic athletic fields with lights
- Five softball diamonds with lights
- One youth baseball field
- Concessions, rest rooms and meeting space
- **BMX track with lights & timing equipment (available for limited use)**
- Skate park
- Neighborhood park with splash pad & playground
- Walkable connection to Riverside State Park

For more information, please go to the Parks and Recreation web site, www.spokaneparks.org

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