

## FAQ Bocce Barn

Q: Where is the Bocce Barn located?

A: *The Bocce Barn is located behind the Senior Center at 40200 Utica Road, SH 48313.*

Q: Where is the best place to park when I arrive?

A: *Best place to park is near the Northwest side of the Senior Center. There is a concrete path leading to the entrance of the Bocce Barn.*

Q: Is the Bocce Barn accessible?

A: *Yes, there is an ADA compliant entrance with a ramp that can be used to enter the barn and the courts inside the barn are also accessible.*

Q: How many courts are there?

A: *Two club size courts (13' x 76') with artificial turf.*

Q: Are the courts outside?

A: *No, the courts are fully enclosed inside a 3-season structure.*

Q: Why is the Bocce Barn called a three-season room?

A: *The Bocce Barn is called a three-season room because it will be open in the spring, summer, and fall months. The building is insulated but does not have heat or air conditioning. There will be windows that can be opened to let in fresh air during the warmer months as well as large fans that can be turned on to circulate air.*

Q: Are there restrooms inside the Bocce Barn?

A: *No, but there is an accessible portable toilet on site.*

Q: What are the hours that the Bocce Barn is open?

A: *The Bocce Barn will be reserved from 9am-5pm Monday through Friday for 50+ scheduled activities and Senior Center members only. Resident and non-resident hours for drop-in play are Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 5pm-9pm; Saturday 10am-2pm.*

Q: When does the Bocce Barn open?

A: *The Bocce Ball Barn will open on April 21 and stay open through October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025. The Bocce Barn will be closed after 5pm on Thursdays from Memorial Day through Labor Day due to the Music in the Park and Farmers Market event; and also, for observed City holidays.*

Q: Do I need to be pre-registered to play?

A: *No, walk-ins are welcome!*

Q: Is there a cost to use the courts?

A: *Like our other similar amenities, Residents are Free (with valid ID) - Non-Residents are \$5 per person.*

Q: Can I rent the Bocce Barn?

A: *The barn may be rented by Sterling Heights residents and businesses as well as non-residents. For available days and times, please call the Parks and Recreation main office at (586)-446-2700.*

Q: Can minors under 18 use the bocce courts?

A: *Yes, but all minors 17 years of age and under must be accompanied by a parent or guardian 18 years or older.*

Q: What is the maximum # of players allowed in the Bocce Barn at one time?

A: *Max 30.*

Q: Can spectators come watch bocce ball games?

A: *Due to the capacity limit for the Bocce Barn, no spectators are allowed to watch games.*

Q: Can I bring my own bocce balls?

A: *No, Sterling Heights Parks and Recreation will have tournament quality sets of bocce balls available for use.*

Q: Can I bring food in?

A: *No food can be brought into Bocce Barn. Bottled water and closeable non-alcoholic beverages are allowed but cannot be brought onto the turf courts. Food can be consumed outside the facility in the adjacent picnic areas on a first come, first served basis.*