- 1. Water the field heavily the night before monthly maintenance.
- 2. Nail drag the infield. Remove any powdered infield mix with a rake and shovel prior to nail dragging.
- Add infield mix if necessary.
- There should be very little infield mix, if any, around each base. The batters boxes should be primarily clay. Add very little infield mix here.
- 3. Screen drag the infield to break up any chunks of dirt created from the nail drag.
- 4. Carpet drag the infield to create that finished smooth look.
- 5. Hedge the infield and the warning track.
- 6. Spray weed killer where needed.
- 7. Broom clean any heavy divots from the batters boxes until there is no loose material near the damaged area.
- Add a light misting of water which acts as bonding agent.
- Scuff up the area with a shovel to allow for new clay to adhere.
- Add a generous amount of ball yard clay (not infield mix) and tamp in.
- Once completely compacted use a stiff prong rake to scratch and level the clay.
- Apply a small amount of infield mix to cover new clay. Very small amount.
- DO NOT over water new clay. It should have had moisture in it before it was added. It needs to dry a little to bind together.
- 8. Paint the outfield grass foul lines.
- 9. Check the scoreboard to make sure there are no bulbs out. Replace bulbs as needed.
- 10. Hose out the dug outs.
- 11. Fertilize the outfield grass.

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