

Fast Facts on Myrtle Beach Sports Tourism

The Myrtle Beach area is showcasing its competitive spirit with the growth of its sports tourism offerings. Already a destination favorite for 17.2 million annual visitors, sports event planners are also now discovering what makes Myrtle Beach the ideal location for any sporting event. In March 2015 the Myrtle Beach Sports Center opened its doors, featuring eight basketball courts, 16 volleyball courts and 100,000-square-foot of configurable space for numerous indoor events. The Sports Center joins the extensive list of existing sports facilities, from Coastal Carolina University's Convocation Center to the North Myrtle Beach Park & Sports Complex's 160-acre outdoor park.

What attracts sporting events of all shapes and sizes to the Myrtle Beach area isn't just the first-class facilities, but also the endless attractions – not to mention the 60 miles of pristine coastline – available to make visiting Myrtle Beach more than just attending a sporting event – but also a vacation. Top area attractions for sports groups include [NASCAR Speedpark](#), [Myrtle Beach Pelicans](#), [Ripken Experience](#), [Broadway at the Beach](#), [Myrtle Beach Watersports](#), [Myrtle Waves Water Park](#), and more than 100 golf courses.

Top Five Sports Facilities in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

Myrtle Beach Sports Center - Myrtle Beach, S.C.

- 100,000 square-foot indoor sports facility opened in March 2015 and is located adjacent to the Myrtle Beach Convention Center
- Includes eight basketball courts, 16 volleyball courts, a cafe, an entertainment zone and a 1,500-seat telescopic bleacher system
- Configurable for numerous indoor sports including volleyball, basketball, wrestling, martial arts, archery, kickball, badminton, table tennis and more.

North Myrtle Beach Park & Sports Complex - North Myrtle Beach, S.C.

- 160-acre park includes two first-class sports complexes
- Baseball/softball complex consists of four fields with dirt infield and 225' fence, along with two collegiate baseball/adult softball fields with dirt infield and 330'-380' fence. Also included at the complex are misting fans in the dugouts, bleacher awnings, officials' room and a full service concession stand
- Soccer/lacrosse complex consists of eight natural grassed regulation soccer/lacrosse fields (four with lights), official's room and a full service concession stand. The park also includes an amphitheater, destination playground, three miles of walking trails, dog parks, 12-acre open meadow, Zipline & Tree Top adventure and a 20-acre lake

Grand Park Athletic Complex - Market Common, Myrtle Beach, S.C.

- Features seven lighted FieldTurf fields for baseball, softball, soccer, lacrosse, football and more
- Two lighted youth baseball/softball FieldTurf fields, two youth baseball/softball natural turf fields and space for up to three full-size natural turf soccer/lacrosse fields
- Amenities include multiple concession locations offering a variety of food and drinks and a 6-lane FieldTurf batting cage



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Coastal Carolina University - Conway, S.C.

- 127,685 square-foot Student Recreation and Convocation Center
- The HTC Center includes a gymnasium seating more than 3,000 people for basketball, graduations and concert events. Also includes a bookstore, locker rooms and offices
- The HTC Center has a climbing wall, 1/10-mile indoor running track, weight lifting, cardio training areas, workout classrooms and locker and shower facilities
- Recreation area and Convocation Center is divided by a large central concourse, which serves as a great meeting space for pre-game activities as well as provides an area for relaxation and conversation

Ripken Experience - Myrtle Beach, S.C.

- One-of-a-kind youth baseball complex centrally located in Myrtle Beach
- Professional fields, all featuring the popular synthetic playing surface, FieldTurf, include three regulation-sized diamonds and five youth diamonds, designed after historic ballparks from baseball history
- The complex features three Ripken-designed infield training circles, bullpen mounds, batting cages and bunting stations, which are used for pre-game practices

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