

Dress Code and Ice Etiquette Policy

In order to maintain the highest standard of safety on the ice and to ensure adequate working conditions for all skaters, it is expected that all Board Members, Coaches, Parents, and Skaters will abide by the following policy. This policy will be enforced as applicable.

Please take the time to read this policy and familiarize yourself with it. Rules are put in place for the safety and protection of all our members.

Dress Code

1. Skates must be worn on the ice. Coaches, skaters, and parents are not permitted to walk on the ice wearing shoes of any kind.
2. Proper skating attire must be worn. Proper skating attire includes appropriate athletic wear, skating dresses/skirts, tights and/or leggings, figure skating pants, properly fitting tops/sweaters. Jeans (denim) are not permitted. Long hair should be tied back and kept off the face.

Ice Etiquette

1. No food, drinks, gum or candy are allowed on the ice surface. Water bottles may be left on the boards.
2. Skaters should arrive to the arena and be ready to get on the ice a few minutes before their session begins.
3. If skaters are going to be absent, parents should contact coach team lead, Shari Kosowan.
4. Respect the rights of other skaters and be constantly aware of who is around you. Strive to avoid collisions!
5. Right of way on the ice should be given to (in this order):
 - a) A skater in a lesson with music playing
 - b) A skater in a lesson
 - c) A skater whose music is playing

6. Ear phones or ear buds are not permitted while skating.
7. Keep moving at all times. Refrain from standing around and visiting on the ice. This wastes expensive ice and presents an additional hazard for other skaters to avoid.
8. No foul language or inappropriate behaviour on the ice will be tolerated by skaters, parents or coaches.
9. Coaching of skaters takes place on the ice only by coaching professionals. Parents are discouraged from standing at the boards during sessions unless permission is granted by the coach.
10. Skaters are not permitted to go out on the ice until a coach is on the ice.
11. Skaters must ask a coach for permission to leave the ice for any reason and the coach should verify that they are not missing scheduled lesson time.
12. The doors at the boards leading to the ice surface are to be kept closed and latched.
13. Skate guards should be worn off the ice.
14. Music will be played at least once per session, though coaches have priority and may bump order of music for lesson priority.
15. Skaters should attempt to take note of whose music belongs to who in order to be aware of who to watch out for. Skaters should also take note of who is in a lesson to avoid their space whenever possible.
16. The best person to talk to about your skating progress is your coach.