

SKATER CODE OF CONDUCT

Skaters affiliated with the Minnetonka Ice Arena and/or the Lake Minnetonka Figure Skating Club use the facility knowing and accepting the rules and etiquette both on and off the ice. Skaters are expected to conduct themselves in an acceptable and responsible manner at all times ON and OFF of the ice and while representing the Lake Minnetonka Figure Skating Club and the Minnetonka Ice Arena. All members of US Figure Skating are bound by the US Figure Skating Codes of Conduct and Ethics rules GR 1.02-1.03. Our organization is committed to promoting a positive and friendly environment for all skaters.

Parents, Guardians and Instructors are responsible for the conduct of your child and/or student both on and off of the ice.

ICE RULES (On Ice and Off Ice):

- All skaters, coaches and parents are expected to treat others with respect. Foul language, kicking of the ice and bullying are not tolerated. Skaters who kick the ice or boards or yell, argue or intimidate other skaters or coaches will be asked to leave the ice. Older skaters must remember that they were new skaters once too and need to have patience with younger and less experienced skaters.
- Socializing with other skaters is not permitted while ON the ice. Skaters must KEEP MOVING at all times. Skaters not keeping up with the flow of traffic present a danger to themselves and other skaters and may be asked to leave the ice. If you want to rest or talk you must leave the ice. Skaters are not allowed to sit in the hockey box and talk with skaters who are on the current session.
- If coaching or practicing in the four corners of the ice, yield to skaters setting up for their Lutz jumps or rounding the corners for moves in the field patterns. Be aware of your surroundings when in the corners, as the approach of a Lutz is blind and the skater is not likely to see you. Skaters should be moving throughout the session and NOT staying in the same spot for too long.
- After a fall, you must quickly get up (unless injured) – sitting or lying on the ice is not permitted and other skaters may have a hard time seeing you when you are down on the ice.
- Skaters are responsible for keeping the ice arena clean. Please remove all belongings (tissues, water bottles, gloves, guards, etc.) before leaving the ice.
- Skaters MUST look both ways before entering the ice surface from the boards. Also, skaters must keep eyes up and look behind them while skating backwards.
- Skaters should stretch off ice prior to skating. There is no stretching on the boards.
- Many sessions are busy and skaters must be aware of their surroundings and respectfully work together. Programs and lessons have the right of way.
- Clubroom use is a privilege. Reference the Club Room Rules for expectations on p. 19.
- LMFSC has a zero tolerance policy for illegal drugs and alcohol. Reference Drug and Alcohol Policy on p. 18
- LMFSC skaters will abide by Club Ice Rules, Club Room Rules and the Drug and Alcohol Policy as described in the LMFSC Handbook.

CONSEQUENCES for disrespectful behavior:

- 1) **First Violation**- Verbal warning by LMFSC coach or ice arena staff.
- 2) **Second Violation**- Mandatory 5 minute break to calm down and stop behavior which shall be enforced by LMFSC coach or arena staff.
- 3) **Third Violation**- The skater's ice privileges may be suspended. A meeting should be scheduled with the LMFSC President/Board representative, skater and their parent(s) where a plan to help change the behavior(s) is made together.
- 4) Loss of ice time and/or club room privileges may happen without refund for lost ice if problem behavior continues.
- 5) In certain situations, club membership may be revoked.
- 6) If skating or club room use was temporarily revoked, a meeting with a coach/board representative as well as a parent of the skater is required before resuming skating/membership/club room.

I have read and understand the Skater Code of Conduct and agree to abide by the ice rules contained within.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____