

ICE ARENA FIGURE SKATING ETIQUETTE & SAFETY RULES

Governing Behavior

It is a condition of entry and continuing entry that you:

- Respect the personal and professional rights of others.
- Respect the Ice Arena's property and the property of others.
- Conduct yourself in a positive and professional manner, understanding that all users of the Ice Arena have equal right and opportunity to do so.

Basic Rules

- Sign in at the front office and scan your 10 Pass Card for each session before stepping onto the ice. For early morning sessions the office administrator will use the sign in sheet to scan your 10 Pass Card for you when they arrive. Failure to comply with this procedure may result in being asked to leave the Ice Arena.
- Each session as listed on the practice timetable is a separate session requiring 1 entry pass per session.
- Coaches must not coach more than a maximum of 3 students at any given time during the rink operated figure skating sessions. Any group/s may only have a maximum of 3 skaters and no more than 2 skaters may link..
- No breakable containers are allowed rink side or on the barrier. Drinks are allowed on or below the barrier (in the hockey pockets). Food is not permitted near the barrier or on the ice.
- Please pick up all belongings (including dirty tissues, water cups, bottles, etc.) at the end of each session.
- Parents, guardians, spectators, coaches and other skaters who are not participating in the skating session should not loiter at the barrier or benches. This is unsafe and it interferes with a constructive training session.
- Coaching by parents from the bleachers, benches or barrier is not allowed at any time. Parents will be asked to leave the Ice Arena if this happens.
- The chairs by the ice are to be used by the skaters and coaches only. Hockey boxes are for coaches and officials only.
- If skaters must talk to someone off the ice, they need to get off the ice to do so or the skater will be asked to leave the ice.

Safety Specific Rules

- It is important for everyone's safety that all skaters stay aware of other skaters on the ice. Try to anticipate their patterns as you decide your own pattern.
- The maximum number of skaters will be allowed on each session aligned to ice surface capacity from a safety perspective.
- If you are a less experienced skater, please be extra careful to stay aware of other skaters and to look ahead of where you are skating to see what others are doing or are about to do.
- If you are an experienced skater, please be patient with the less experienced skaters. Remember – you were new to figure skating sessions at one time, too.
- Please be understanding if someone gets in your way.
- If you accidentally get in someone's way or there is a collision, please ensure you apologise and check to see if the other skater is okay
- When the small ice surface is available all skaters at the Aussie Skate Intermediate 2 level and below must skate on this surface rather than the large ice surface even if you are having a private lesson.
- Do not stop in the middle of the ice or any of the jumping corners. Loitering or socializing on the ice is not

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permitted.

- Remember to look both ways before leaving the barrier or skating across the ice.

Right of Way Rules

- The skater doing a routine to music has the right of way. Fluoro yellow vests are to be worn to help identify the skater whose music is being played. Please stay aware of which skater is doing his or her routine and do your best to stay clear of his or her pattern. Please wear the vest when you play your music to help other skaters know you are skating your routine. Please note a maximum of 2 skaters may have a fluoro vest on at any one time.
- Skaters taking a lesson have the right of way over general skaters in the session.
- Skaters on the harness also have the right of way. Please be careful of the harness area.
- Coaches who are coaching have right of way

Music

- The Rink Music system will be used to play skaters music, you will need a tag to operate, these can be purchased from the front desk. Coach Tags are to be used by Coaches only
- Not everyone will be able to play their music on full sessions due to lengths of programs.
- Coaches may use their coach tag to bump the music of the student they are teaching.
- Please do not stop and restart your music if others are waiting in line.
- Please handle the music equipment with extreme care.
- The use of personal sound speakers is not permitted.
- For Choreography purposes a mobile phone maybe used to play music by coaches.
- Skating with headphones on is prohibited.

Prohibited Behavior

- Kicking, digging holes, scraping or stomping the ice with your blades and kicking the barrier are prohibited. Anyone engaging in this behavior will be asked to leave the Ice Arena immediately and may not be able to return for a period of time.
- Being verbally abusive or aggressive to anyone is prohibited. Anyone engaging in this behavior will be asked to leave the Ice Arena immediately and may not be able to return for a period of time.
- Deliberately challenging, scaring, intimidating or intentionally blocking another skater or coach is prohibited. Anyone engaging in this behavior will be asked to leave the Ice Arena immediately and may not be able to return for a period of time.
- The use of inappropriate language and language of a profanity or discriminatory nature is strictly prohibited, should anyone engage this language they will be asked to leave the Ice Arena immediately and may not be able to return for a period of time
- Videotaping anyone other than your own skater is strictly prohibited and will not be tolerated. Anyone engaging in this behavior will be asked to leave the Ice Arena for an indefinite period of time.
- Overall the Ice Arena strives to be a positive and professional business who operates a safe environment and requires all users to do the same.

Problems and Issues

Should a problem arise it is recommended that you attempt to mutually resolve the problem with the involved

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relevant parties, should this not be achievable you may choose to redirect the matter to one of the following bodies:

- SAPSA for any coach related matters (www.sa.apsa.net.au)
- SAISA for any skater related matters (www.saisa.org.au)
- Ice Arena Management for any rink operations, parent, guardian or spectator matters (www.icearena.com.au)

Admittance & Clearing Of The Ice

- You must only access the ice as per the scheduled times. Unless directed by an Ice Arena employee, early admittance to the ice must not occur.
- When the ice-resurfacers horn sounds, all skaters and coaches must leave the ice immediately. If you are skating to your music, please stop skating immediately, turn off music and clear the ice, failure to do so may result in not being able to return to figure skating sessions.
- At the end of your skate or the session please ensure you fill any toe jump holes you may have made. A bucket of snow, puck and water bottle will be available near the entry door.

Agreement

I agree to abide and comply with the Ice Arena Figure Skating Etiquette & Safety Rules and understand that failure to do so may result in non-admittance to the Ice Arena:

Name

Signature

Date

(If under 18, parent/guardian must sign on behalf of the skater)