

# Bremerton Figure Skating Club Rules, Waivers, Releases 2019-2020

**This Packet contains several sections and are labeled based on the membership type.**

## **PLEASE READ THROUGH ALL DOCUMENTATION**

### **FOR ALL MEMBERS – Part #1**

#### **Waiver and Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk & Indemnity Agreement**

In consideration of participating in Bremerton Figure Skating Club (BFSC) activities, I represent that I understand the nature of figure skating activities (“activity”) and that I am qualified, in good health and in proper physical condition to participate in such “activity”. I acknowledge that if I believe event conditions are unsafe, I will immediately discontinue participation in the “activity”.

I fully understand that this “activity” involves risks of serious bodily injury, including permanent disability, paralysis and death, which may be caused by my own actions, or inactions, those of others participating in the “activity”, the conditions in which the “activity” takes place, or the negligence of the “releasees” named below; and that there may be other risks either not known to me or not readily foreseeable at this time; and I fully accept and assume all such risks and all responsibility for losses, costs, and damages I incur as a result of my participation in the “activity”.

I hereby release, discharge, and covenant not to sue the Bremerton Figure Skating Club, United States Figure Skating, it’s directors, officers, administrators, sponsors, volunteers, agents, employees, staff, instructors, trainers, other participants and if applicable, owners and lessors of premises on which the “activity” takes place (each considered one of the “Releasees” herein) from all liability, claims, demands, losses, or damages on my account caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the “releasees” or otherwise, including negligent rescue operations; and I further agree that if, despite this release, waiver of liability, and assumption of risk, I, or anyone on my behalf, makes a claim against any of the Releasees, I will indemnify, save, and hold harmless each of the releasees from any loss, liability, damage, or cost which any may incur as the result of such claim.

The Bremerton Figure Skating Club has the right, but not the obligation, to provide rules, regulations and/or ice monitors for BFSC sponsored ice. We hereby acknowledge that the Bremerton Figure Skating Club shall not be responsible for the supervision of the members at BFSC sponsored ice.

I have read this RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT, and understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing my agreement on the BFSC Membership Application form and have signed it freely and without any inducement or assurance of any nature and intend it to be a complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by law and agree that if any portion of this agreement is held to be invalid, the balance, notwithstanding, shall continue in full force and effect.

### **FOR ALL MEMBERS – Part #2**

#### **Consent for Medical Attention or Treatment**

Consent for Medical Attention or Treatment By providing my signature on the Bremerton Figure Skating Club (BFSC) Membership Application, I certify that I, the member, or I, the parent/ guardian of said participant, give my consent to BFSC volunteers to obtain medical care from any licensed physician, hospital or clinic, including transportation and emergency medical services, for myself/ ourselves and/or said participant for any injury that could arise from participation in club sponsored activities.

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## FOR ALL MEMBERS – Part #3

### **BFSC Code of Conduct**

I recognize that my/my minor child's participation in all general skating sessions, classes, competitions, exhibitions, and training camps hosted, supported or sponsored by Bremerton Figure Skating Club is an honor and privilege that carries certain responsibilities. On behalf of my self/ minor child I agree to fully abide by the rules and guidelines set forth by Bremerton Figure Skating Club. I will adhere to the rules of U.S. Figure Skating and the host organization at all U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned training camps, competitions, and exhibitions.

I will exhibit a model of behavior that will provide a good example to the community and to the public and encourage pride in our Club. I will display proper respect and sportsmanship and a positive attitude towards competitors, fellow skaters, coaches, officials, parents and the public. I will follow the direction of the coaching staff, facility rink attendants and designated Bremerton Figure Skating Club members and volunteers.

Any act performed by a Club member that a Club member, coach, parent or rink staff deems unsafe or inappropriate may be brought to the Bremerton Figure Skating Club Board's attention for appropriate disciplinary action.

The following is a list of the offenses that will result in disciplinary actions:

- Dishonesty or theft
- Use of vile, inappropriate or abusive language
- Threatening or intimidating behavior, physical or verbal assault of any person
- Any act of harassment based on gender, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, disability, political beliefs or associational preferences.
- Immoral or indecent conduct
- Willful damage or destruction of Bremerton Ice Center/Bremerton Figure Skating Club equipment or property
- Possession, consumption, or being under influence of any illegal drugs (immediate removal from the ice/facility)
- Minors in possession or under influence alcohol or tobacco (immediate removal from the ice/facility)
- Possession of weapons or explosives (immediate removal from the ice/facility)

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Disciplinary Actions to be taken may include but are not limited to:

1. Verbal warning to skater, coach and/or parent.
2. Written warning to the skater, coach and/or parent.
3. Suspension of Club privileges and/or Suspension of Membership

Reporting of any incident (grievance) must be submitted to the Bremerton Figure Skating Club or to any Bremerton Figure Skating Club Board member in writing and signed within 7 days of the incident or a period of time deemed reasonable by the Bremerton Figure Skating Club Board.

I have read the Bremerton Figure Skating Club Code of Conduct and by providing my signature on the Bremerton Figure Skating Club Membership Application I am agreeing that I and/or my minor child will adhere to this code of conduct.

## **FOR ALL MEMBERS - PART #4**

### **Photo or Video Release**

From time to time we may have pictures or video from a variety of different events that we would like to post on the Bremerton Figure Skating Club website, Facebook page, in promotional materials or in physical locations around Bremerton Ice Center. By providing your signature on the Bremerton Figure Skating Club Membership Application you are hereby giving the club permission to use your image in photo or video format for club promotion. If you would like to opt out of this release, please provide a written note stating that you do not agree to Part #4 - Photo or Video Release - and then place it in the club box in the office at Bremerton Ice Center or mail it to the club address at 7124 SE Legrand St. Port Orchard WA 98366. Your membership will still be accepted without approval of this release.

## **FOR ALL MEMBERS - PART #5**

### **Club Equipment Use Policy**

I/my minor child understand that it is my responsibility to read and follow the most current club equipment policy. That policy is linked on the Entryeeze club home page as well as posted on the club website at [www.bremertonfsc.org](http://www.bremertonfsc.org).

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## FOR PARENTS OR GUARDIANS OF MEMBERS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE - Part #6

### **Parental Consent and Indemnification Agreement**

I, the minor(s)' parent and/or legal guardian, understand the nature of the above referenced activities and the minor(s)' experience and capabilities and believe the minor to be qualified to participate in such "activity".

I also agree not to leave any children under the age of 13 unchaperoned at Bremerton Ice Center while participating in a Bremerton Figure Skating sponsored session. Further, I acknowledge that Bremerton Figure Skating Club does not provide childcare and that the undersigned parent or guardian assumes all responsibility for supervision and childcare of children under the age of 18.

I hereby release, discharge, covenant not to sue and AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS each of the Releasees from all liability, claims, demands, losses, or damages on the minor's account caused or alleged to have been caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the Releasees or otherwise, including negligent rescue operations, and further agree that if, despite this release, I the minor, or anyone on the minor's behalf makes a claim against any of the above Releasees, I WILL INDEMNIFY, SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS each of the Releasees from any litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss liability, damage, or cost any Releasees may incur as the result of any such claim. I so state by providing my signature on the Bremerton Figure Skating Club Membership Application.

## FOR PARENTS OR GUARDIANS OF MEMBERS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE - SECTION #7

*The essential elements of character-building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core principles: respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, trustworthiness and good citizenship.*

By my signature on the Bremerton Figure Skating Club Application I hereby agree that:

1. I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all skaters, coaches and officials at every practice session, competition and test session.
2. I will place the emotional and physical well being of my child ahead of my personal desire to win.
3. I will encourage my child to skate in a safe and healthy environment.
4. I will inform my child's coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
5. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the results of a competitive event.
6. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participant for making a mistake or blame my child's teammates for placement in a competition.
7. I will do my best to make skating fun and will remember that my child participates in sports for his/her own enjoyment and satisfaction, not mine.

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8. I will ask my child to treat other skaters, coaches, fans and officials with respect, regardless of race, creed, color, sexual orientation or ability.
9. I will applaud a good effort in both victory and defeat emphasizing the positive accomplishments and learning from the mistakes.
10. I will teach my child to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
11. I will be a positive role model for my child and other skaters.
12. I will demand a figure skating environment for my child that is free of drug or alcohol abuse and agree that I will not use or provide to a third party any drug prescribed by applicable federal, state or municipal law.
13. I will not assist or condone any competing athlete's use of a drug banned by the International Olympic Committee, International Skating Union, United States Olympic Committee or US Figure Skating, or, in the case of athletes, to use such drugs or refuse to submit to properly conducted drug tests administered by one of these organizations.
14. I will not provide alcohol to or condone the use of alcohol by minors, abuse alcohol in the presence of athlete members or at US Figure Skating activities, or, in the case of athletes, consume alcoholic beverages while a minor.
15. I will encourage my child's coach to continue their education and training through programs offered by US Figure Skating, the Professional Skaters Association.
16. I will respect my child's coach and refrain from coaching my child or other skaters during competitions and practices because it may conflict with the coaches plan or strategies.
17. I will respect the decisions of officials and their authority during competitions and test sessions and teach my child to do likewise.
18. I will show appreciation and recognize the importance of volunteers and club officials.
19. I will study the rules of US Figure Skating and teach my child accordingly, so that we have an understanding and appreciation of the rules of competition and membership.

I hereby agree to adhere to this Code of Conduct by signing the Bremerton Figure Skating Club Membership Application

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