



U.S. FIGURE SKATING SKATESAFE® CODE OF CONDUCT

As a member of ONYX-Suburban Skating Academy, all skaters must adhere to this Code of Conduct at all times.

General Guidelines:

Onyx-Suburban Skating Academy is committed to creating a safe and positive environment for members' physical, emotional and social development and ensuring that it promotes an environment free of misconduct. This Skater Code of Conduct has been established to ensure the safety of all members using our ice to ensure quality practice time for all home club, associate, non-members and guests who purchase ice from the club and who participate in all club-related activities.

1. All skaters, regardless of whether they hold home club, associate, non-member or guest status, must follow and uphold the provisions in this Skater Code of Conduct regarding behavior on and off the ice. All club members are expected to exhibit good sportsmanship and be courteous toward their fellow skaters, coaches, parents/guardians of skaters, U.S. Figure Skating officials and guests.
2. ONYX-Suburban Skating Academy is committed to promoting a positive and friendly environment for all skaters. Remember 'The Golden Rule' — treat other people like you want to be treated — with respect.

Ice Etiquette and Safety:

1. While in lesson or practice, it is the skater's responsibility to always be conscientious and aware of other skaters around them.
2. Skaters must skate with the flow of other skaters and familiarize themselves with the most commonly used areas for jumps and spins.
3. It is prohibited to record or share media (pictures and/or video) without the express permission of the subject. This includes video obtained from publicly available sources (i.e. LiveBarn).
4. We encourage and support members, member clubs, programs, and teams to take part in social media by posting, blogging and tweeting positive experiences in skating as a show of support of its members and for promotion of the club, its programs and events. However, the use of mobile devices, web-based applications, social media and other forms of electronic communications increases the possibility for improprieties and misunderstandings and also provides potential offenders with unsupervised and potentially inappropriate access to participants. The improper use of mobile and electronic communications can result in misconduct.
5. The only time a skater has the SOLE right of way is when they are skating their program to music. When you hear another member's music, please extend that person the courtesy and move out of their path momentarily. This only takes a moment, and you will enjoy the same courtesy while you are performing your program. Please be understanding if someone gets in your way. Skaters skating their program MUST wear a sash around their waist to help others know to give you the right of way.
6. Advanced skaters are expected to exhibit patience toward beginner members of the club. Remember, you were an inexperienced skater once, and it takes time for our future generation to advance to the point where they are completely comfortable skating with all levels of skaters.
7. Bullying (including cyberbullying), intimidation, threats and harassment will NOT be tolerated.
8. Get up quickly if you fall on the ice. Laying on the ice is dangerous to you as well as other skaters.
9. I will not damage public or private property. I understand that I may be held financially responsible for damage deemed to be wantonly or willfully executed on my part, and that I may be subject to disciplinary action by the club or arena management.



Unsafe or Discourteous Behavior:

Unsafe or discourteous behavior of any kind will not be tolerated.

I will conduct myself in a manner not detrimental to the welfare of figure skating. I understand that my actions reflect on the OSA and the sport of figure skating both positively and negatively. I understand that if my acts, statements, or conduct are considered detrimental to the welfare of figure skating by the appropriate authority, I be subject to penalties imposed by the OSA.

Violations and the manner in which they will be dealt with:

Violations of any tenets will be addressed at the time they occur by a member of the club board of directors following the procedures outlined in the conflict resolution process.

First offense:

Club member will be addressed regarding the violation and will be removed from the activity and given a written warning. A face-to-face meeting with the member and/or member's parent or legal guardian may be in order. This could include non-refundable suspension from OSA sessions.

Repeated offenses:

If the member continually violates any tenet of the code of conduct, repeat offenses will be taken very seriously by the club board of directors. Discipline may include loss of club privileges for extended periods, and/or revocation of club membership.

Must be signed and dated.

[Club/Program Name] Code of Conduct Agreement Form

I, _____ [member's name printed], have read the Code of Conduct, and agree to uphold all guidelines and tenets of this document.

_____ *Skater's signature if 18 years or older*

_____ *Parent's or Legal Guardian's signature if under 18 years of age*

_____ *Date*