

ATHLETE & PARENT/GUARDIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

Membership in the Oakville Speed Skating Club (OSSC) is a privilege, not a right, which should elicit great pride in skaters and their families.

All members of OSSC and families are also required to comply with the Town of Oakville's Rzone Policies. Please Review at: <https://www.oakville.ca/townhall/hr-mng-008-001.html>.

The athlete's signature, along with that of his/her parent/guardian, indicates that both recognize and understand the responsibility to adhere to the basic concepts of good citizenship and fair play.

While participating in any Club activity, including practices, meets, social events, team travel, overnight stays in hotels/motels, dining in restaurants and when in or on public/private property, including change rooms and parking lots, etc., skaters are expected to act in a manner entirely consistent with this Code.

Unacceptable behaviour as listed below will not be tolerated:

- use of foul language
- damage to facilities
- unsportsmanlike conduct
- sexual harassment act
- disrespect to coaching staff or club officials
- any discrimination on the basis of race, religion, sex, or ability
- committing any act that would be considered an illegal offence
- bullying
- fighting
- use of drugs, tobacco, vaping or alcohol
- unexplained absences from Practices

Should any unacceptable incidents occur, actions may include:

- verbal and/or written warning
- suspension from practice
- being sent home from a Meet at the member's expense
- damage to property will be the responsibility of the instigator and his/her parents
- potential removal from the Club

Respect for coaches includes showing up on time for practices. Skaters are expected to be at the arena 20 minutes before their practice starts to get ready and be ready to skate 5 minutes before the scheduled skating time. Two minutes after the scheduled skating time, the doors to the ice outside the change rooms will close and are not to be re-opened. Skaters wishing to attempt to join the practice must walk around over to the player's bench on the other side of the arena and wait until a discussion with the Head Coach on the ice occurs.

Skaters are not permitted to skate at other clubs practices without prior full disclosure, discussion and input from their OSSC Head coach. Permission will most likely not be granted as the Clubs Excellent Programme clearly meets the needs and any reasonable expectation of all of its skaters.

Should a problem/concern arise, we agree to communicate our concern in writing to any member of the current Club Executive who will then hand the matter over to the President of the OSSC and a Quorum of the Club Executive for Resolution.

YOUR SIGNATURE INDICATES THAT YOU HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE CODE OF CONDUCT OF THE OAKVILLE SPEED SKATING CLUB.

Dated in Oakville, Ontario, this _____ day of _____, 2021/2022

Signature of Athlete

Please Print Name as well

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Please Print Name as well