



## Freestyle Etiquette

Our number one goal for everyone is safety on and off the ice

### Respect all skaters, coaches and staff

- No disrespectful language (swearing), hand gestures or rude behavior to anyone on or off the ice. This will not be tolerated.
- **Coaches**- please be aware of the skaters around you as you teach as this can cause a dangerous situation for you as the coach and for the skaters if you aren't conscientious of what's going on around you. Please try to stay out of the way while moving around in the middle of the ice.

**If you are a less experienced skater**, please be extra careful to stay aware of other skaters and look ahead of where you are skating to see what others are doing or are about to do.

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

**If you are an experienced skater**, please be patient with the less experienced skaters. Remember – you were new to freestyles at one time, too. Please be understanding if someone gets in your way.

**Skaters in hockey skates practicing drills** including quick starts, stops, edges, and speed drills must be extra aware of the pattern of a practice ice session to not disrupt the flow or startle skaters. No hockey sticks or pucks are allowed.

### Right of way:

- #1. Skater in a private lesson running their program or doing a virtual MIF(skating skills) video test
- #2. Skater running their program
- #3. Skater in a private lesson

This does not give the skater doing a program or in a private lesson, the right to act disrespectful to any skater or coach that accidentally gets in the way. This is just a guideline.

### Other guidelines:

- No kicking or stomping on the ice
- No bullying
- No food on the ice
- Dispose of all tissue and other garbage into the garbage can.

***HEParks goal is make sure everyone can accomplish his or her goals and training on our Freestyle ice. If everyone, no matter what level, can learn to skate amongst each other, we will all be successful.***

Any other situations, on or off the ice, please bring it to the attention of the Figure Skating Manager. Parents should not take matters into your own hands and approach skaters, coaches, or parents with your issues. This behavior will not be tolerated.