



MINDEN SKATING CLUB

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Minden Skating Club- Parent Code of Conduct

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Purpose

The purpose of this Parent Code of Conduct is to clearly outline the expectations for parents and guardians involved with the Minden Skating Club. It is intended to promote a positive, respectful, and supportive environment that contributes to the development and well-being of all skaters.

This Code supports a safe and inclusive sport culture by encouraging appropriate behaviour, respectful communication, and constructive involvement from parents and guardians. It also helps ensure that all interactions within the club reflect the values of respect, fairness, and good sportsmanship.

All individuals will be aware that Minden Skating Club is instituting a zero-tolerance policy for inappropriate behavior, consistent with our Vision, Mission, and Values.

Application

This Code of Conduct applies to all parents and guardians of skaters registered with the Minden Skating Club (referred to as "Parents/Guardians").

It is in effect during all club-related activities, including practices, competitions, events, training sessions, and any travel associated with the Minden Skating Club.

This Code may also apply to behaviour outside of club activities where conduct is determined to have a negative impact on the reputation, safety, or overall environment of the club, its skaters, or its members.

This Code of Conduct complements the Social Media Policy, and both documents must be applied in the appropriate context.

Responsibilities

In this code, "parents" shall refer to "parents and guardians". This code applies to all parents who are members of Skate Canada or have children who are members of Skate Canada. Parents shall abide by the code at all times when participating in any Skate Canada club or school, competition, or activity.

Parents, along with the professional coaches and athlete(s), shall be considered members of a team whose main concern is the child's overall progress, development and enjoyment of the sport.

All parents shall:

1. Conduct themselves in a responsible manner consistent with the values for fair play, integrity, open communication and mutual respect.

2. Model positive responsible behaviour and communicate with their son/daughter that they expect them to do the same.
3. Assume the major responsibility for their son/daughters on ice conduct and attitude.
4. Treat individuals and property with dignity, courtesy and respect, including but not limited to skaters, coaches, officials, volunteers, other parents, arena staff, and all other individuals that are part of the club, skating school, or Skate Canada.
5. Avoid public criticism of any participant and, when necessary, use appropriate channels to communicate concerns, as per Dispute Resolution Policy.
6. Comply at all times with club by-laws, policies, procedures, rules and regulations as adopted and amended from time to time.
7. Respect that the professional coach is responsible and empowered for the on-ice development of the athlete. Please watch quietly from the stands or seating area -not by the boards- and refrain from conversing with or offering directions to skaters on the ice.
8. Notify the coach of any lessons to be missed.

Coaches have the prerogative to charge for missed lessons not cancelled the day before.

Disciplinary Actions

Violations of this Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary actions as described in the Dispute Resolution policy and/or Safe Sports policies.

Reporting and Resolution

Anyone who witnesses or experiences behaviour that does not align with this Code of Conduct is encouraged to bring it forward to a member of the Minden Skating Club Board of Directors in writing to email mindensk8ingclub@gmail.com as per the Minden Skating Club-Dispute Resolution Policy. All concerns will be addressed seriously, in a timely manner, and with respect for confidentiality. Retaliation against individuals who report violations in good faith is strictly prohibited.