



ATHLETE & PARENT/GUARDIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

Participation on the ice at Cambridge Speed Skating Club (“CSSC”) is a privilege, not a right, which should elicit great pride in skaters and their families. Our standards of behaviour are exceedingly high and a willingness to live up to them is a condition of being a member of the CSSC.

Consistent with these standards, and as a continuing condition of participation, skaters and parents are required to sign this statement of personal commitment. 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, fair play, and those positive examples with which every CSSC participant should be identified.

The goal of our Club is to support athletes in pursuit of excellence and achieving their potential in the sport of speed skating. To do this, we need to appreciate that there is a need to maintain a strong behaviour and discipline code to support each and every athlete’s efforts.

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., athletes are expected to demonstrate responsible manner, as befits the CSSC.

Unacceptable behaviour as listed below will not be tolerated at any time:

- use of foul language
- bullying
- damage to facilities
- fighting
- unsportsmanlike conduct
- use of drugs, tobacco or alcohol
- sexual harassment act
- committing any which would be considered an illegal offence
- breaking training or curfew without consent
- when away at meets, doors will be left open when a non-occupant visits the room

Should any unacceptable incidents occur, actions may include:

- verbal/written warning
- further action as described in the CSSC Disciplinary Outline
- 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

Parents/Guardians are encouraged to promote sportsmanship at all practices and meets through your actions by demonstrating positive support for all skaters, coaches, officials and spectators regardless of race, creed, religion, sex or ability.

We recognize the importance of volunteer coaches and their importance to the development of the individual skater and the CSSC will work to provide a positive experience for all. All coaches should be treated with dignity and respect in language, attitude, behaviour and mannerisms. Skaters will follow the program and instructions as set out by the coaches, failure to do so may result in immediate dismissal from the program. Disrespect to coaches or undermining their authority will not be tolerated. Skaters are expected not to bring any electronics on the ice (except for heart rate monitors).

Should a problem/concern arise, we agree to communicate our concern in writing to any member of the current executive who will then hand the matter over to the President of the CSSC, for resolution according to the Disciplinary Action Outline. Please note that a report will be written up in each case outlining the problem and the solution.

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

Dated in Cambridge, Ontario, this _____ day of _____

Signature of Athlete

Please Print Name

Signature of Athlete

Please Print Name

Signature of Athlete

Please Print Name

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Please Print Name

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