



General Club Policies



**Membership – Programming – Guest Skating and Coaching
– Registration – Music – Ice Shows – Program Assistants –
Club Communications**

In accordance with Skate Canada Official Rule 2201, the home organization of an eligible person is the member club through which he/she registers. An eligible person may register with more than one club, but may only have one home organization.

Full Members

In accordance with Skate Canada Official Rule 2001, only an individual who pay full fees for the program in which they/their child is registered is recognized as a full member. Full members registered for the entire season are eligible for membership privileges including, but not limited to, participating in club competitions, pictures and ice shows or carnivals. Half season members are considered to be full members provided they are participating in the full program offered. Half-season full members cannot participate in ice shows, carnival or pictures, but may participate in club competitions or other events or activities. Voting privileges are reserved for full members only.

Member-in-Good Standing

Learn-to-Skate, CanSkate and StarSkate and Competitive Skaters registering with the Innisfil Skating Club as their “home” club are required to register for the full program offered to be considered a member in good standing. All members in good standing are eligible for club competition, pictures, carnivals, ice shows and other special activities hosted by the club.

Innisfil Skating Club Programs

- PreCan - One-day program
- CanSkate: Two day program
- StarSkate A: Two day program
- StarSkate B or Competitive: Three day program

Guest Skating

The Innisfil Skating Club supports the provision of, guest skating sessions to skaters of other “home” clubs. Guest skaters must provide confirmation from their “home” club that they are members in good standing at that club. Guest skaters may register with the Innisfil Skating Club for the full season during sessions set by the board of directors and pay the appropriate fees or may pay a per-skate fee as determined by the Board of Directors. In accordance with Skate Canada Official Rule 2001, guest skates will therefore be considered partial members of the Innisfil Skating Club. Special consideration session-based guest skating may be made in exceptional circumstances, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors, and will pay an hourly rate as determined by the board. If these skaters are not registered with another club, the skater must register with the Innisfil Skating Club and pay the Skate Canada fee.

Guest skaters are not permitted to skate during carnival/ice show practice sessions. As such, there may be limited ice time available during the months of February and March in a year when a carnival/ice show is planned. Rates will be determined accordingly. Guest skaters are required to register for a specific day and session in accordance to their skating level. Guest skaters may not change sessions unless approved by the club, and such changes shall remain effective for the remainder of the season. Additional fees may apply, including costs of additional ice time and administrative fees. Reimbursements for missed days will not be given. Fees will take into account conflicts with club operations or closures, as such reimbursements will not be given.

Guest skaters and their parents must abide by the Skater Code of Conduct and Parent Code of Conduct policies, breaches from the code will result in eviction from the ice without refund of fees. Guest skaters or their parents are not permitted to use club equipment, including music or video, at any time. Music shall be played for guest skaters only by club coaches during a paid lesson time. Guest skaters are not eligible to participate in the Innisfil Skating Club Ice Show/Carnival, picture day, Club Competition or group development lessons provided during the regular ice session and are required to leave the ice during these times. Guest skaters or their parents/guardians as appropriate shall not have voting privileges with the Innisfil Skating Club.

Innisfil Skating Club coaches may provide lessons to guest skaters on an as requested basis, provided that coaching requests from Innisfil skaters are given priority. Guest skaters are eligible to participate in the Innisfil Skating Club development sessions or seminars if there is space available, with priority being given to Innisfil Skating Club skaters recognizing that additional fees may apply.

Session Registration and Moves

All skaters must be registered for the club session ice they skate on. In order to accommodate all skaters safely, all members must skate on the highest session for which they qualify. There will be NO exceptions to this rule unless the board deems necessary. Movement to a higher session is only allowed provided the following conditions are met:

- 1) The skater has passed the required tests
- 2) There is space on the session the skater is requesting
- 3) CanSkaters having completed Badge 6 prior to December 31st may be eligible to move to the Junior Session as of January 1st.

Music

Music is an important part of each session. The Club Board of Directors is responsible for ensuring that the Club laptop is available for all sessions and that skater music is appropriately loaded. Learn-to-Skaters, CanSkaters and all parents and siblings are not permitted in the music room (area), nor are they permitted to operate the equipment. The playing of skater music by the Board of Directors, Coaches and Junior, Intermediate or Senior skaters shall follow the Innisfil Skating Club's Skater Etiquette Policy. Music shall be played for guest skaters if there is time available and at the discretion of the Head Coach. Guest skaters are not permitted in the music room (area).

Session Representative

A Session Representative is someone who hands out newsletters, club information and acts as a general representative of a session. We would like to have one Session Rep for each session. Generally this function is served by a representative of the Board of Directors. From time to time, additional assistance may be required. If you are interested in helping on the session your child skates on, please contact Club President for more information.

Program Assistants

Program Assistants are needed for Learn-to-Skate, CanSkate and Junior sessions. The qualities we look for include: a helping nature, reliable and a sense of commitment to tasks be able to lead activities in a creative and enthusiastic manner ideally be 10 years of age and have passed the Preliminary Freeskate Test or Major Atom level in hockey (if you have not yet reached this level you may still qualify as a PA in training) you are a registered member of the Innisfil Skating Club.

If you are interested in becoming a Program Assistant or Trainee, please contact the CanSkate Coaching Director.

Competitions and Carnivals/Ice Shows

Competitions and Carnivals/Ice Shows raise a significant amount of funds for our club. These funds help to keep our registration costs down. We request that each family assist with at least one event. Skaters aged 10 and older may also volunteer, and will be provided with age appropriate tasks (parental supervision of your child is required; the club will ensure that a joint volunteer task is coordinated). Only Full Members of the Innisfil Skating Club are eligible to participate in Club Competitions, Carnivals and Ice Show.

Guest Skating at Other Clubs

It is understood that skaters may guest skate or participate in off-season programs at other clubs to meet the skater's needs for specialized coaching, or when programs are not offered by the Innisfil Skating Club such as spring, summer and fall skating opportunities. In accordance with Skate Canada policy, members are required provide the host club or school with validation that they are a member in good standing with their home club.

Guest Coaches

Only professional coaches under contract to the club shall be eligible to coach at the club during regular skating sessions. Guest Coaches shall be invited to coach at the club for special events, such as StarSkate Development sessions or seminars.

Club Communications

The main form of club communications will be through emails and postings on the club website. Monthly newsletters and written notices at the arena may also be used to communicate club information to members. A member of the Board of Directors will be available to answer questions during most skating sessions. Alternatively, an email can be sent to the club gmail account at contactus@innisfilskatingclub.ca.

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