

# **Spokane Figure Skating Club**

## ***U.S. Figure Skating Skater Code of Conduct***

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As a member of our Club, all skaters must adhere to this *Code of Conduct* at all times.

### General Guidelines:

**Spokane Figure Skating Club** (the “Club”) and **Lake City Figure Skating** (a Basic Skills program of the Club) are committed to creating a safe and positive environment for members’ physical, emotional and social development and ensuring that it promotes an environment free of misconduct. Misconduct includes emotional, physical, and sexual abuse, as well as bullying, harassment, and hazing.

This *Skater Code of Conduct* has been established to ensure the safety of all members using our ice, to ensure quality practice time for all home Club, associate, non-members, and guests who purchase ice from the Club and who participate in all Club-related activities.

1. All skaters, regardless of whether they hold home Club, associate, non-member, or guest status must follow and uphold the tenets in this *Skater Code of Conduct* regarding behavior on and off the ice. All Club members are expected to exhibit good sportsmanship and be courteous toward their fellow skaters, coaches, parents of skaters, U.S. Figure Skating officials and guests.
2. Our Club is committed to promoting a positive and friendly environment for all skaters. Remember ‘The Golden Rule’ – treat other people like you want to be treated – with respect.

### Ice Etiquette and Safety:

1. While in lesson or practice, it is the skater’s responsibility to always be conscientious and aware of other skaters around them.
2. Skaters must skate with the flow of other skaters and familiarize themselves with the most commonly used areas for jumps and spins.
3. The only time a skater has the SOLE right of way is when they are skating their program to music. When you hear another member’s music, please extend that person the courtesy and move out of their path momentarily. This only takes a moment and you will enjoy the same courtesy while you are performing your program.
4. Advanced skaters are expected to exhibit patience toward beginner members of the Club. Remember, you were an inexperienced skater once, and it takes time for our future generation to advance to the point where they are completely comfortable skating with all levels of skaters.

### Unsafe or Discourteous Behavior:

Unsafe or discourteous behavior of any kind will not be tolerated.

Communication of Issues or Concerns:

All issues or concerns must be directed exclusively to your coach, the Club communication liaison, or a Club board member.

Code of Conduct Violations:

Violations of any tenets will be addressed at the time they occur by a member of the Club board of directors following the procedures outlined in the conflict resolution process below.

*First offense:*

Club member will be addressed verbally (in private) regarding the violation.

*Second offense:*

If there is a second violation, the member will be removed from the activity and given a written warning. A face-to-face meeting with the member and/or member's parent or legal guardian may be in order.

*Repeated offenses:*

If the member continually violates any tenet of the code of conduct, repeat offenses will be taken very seriously by the Club board of directors. Discipline may include loss of Club privileges for extended periods, and/or revocation of Club membership.

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**Spokane Figure Skating Club Code of Conduct Agreement Form**

*(this form must be signed and dated)*

By signing below, I acknowledge the following:

1. I have received, read, had an opportunity to have questions answered, and understand the Club's Code of Conduct.
2. I understand that the terms of this agreement are in effect while I am a member of or participating in activities of the Club.
3. I accept the Club's Code of Conduct, and understand that violation of this agreement can result in removal from the ice, and disciplinary action from the Board, up to and including suspension of membership in the Club.

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*Member Name (Printed)*

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*Member Signature (if 18 or older)*

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*Date*

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*Parent/Legal Guardian Name (Printed)*

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*Parent/Legal Guardian Signature (if under 18)*

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*Date*