

Figure Skating Club of Charlotte Skater Code of Conduct

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

General Skater Guidelines:

The Figure Skating Club of Charlotte is 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. 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.

Unsafe or discourteous behavior of any kind (on or off of the ice and anytime representing the FSC of Charlotte (competitions, test sessions, etc) will not be tolerated and could result in suspension or removal from the club.

On and Off the Ice:

- 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.
- 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.
- Bullying (including cyberbullying), hazing, intimidation, threats and harassment will NOT be tolerated.
- Any skater who violates the Skater Code of Conduct may be suspended or removed from the club.

Steps to Resolve a Conflict:

Begin by talking to the person(s) involved. If the conflict is not resolved, talk with the FSC of Charlotte SkateSafe Chair. If still not resolved, the issue will be brought to the Club President and Executive Board. If necessary, it can be brought in front of the entire board. Any issue involving bullying, harassment, intimidation or threats should immediately be reported to the SkateSafe Chair.

Ice Etiquette and Safety:

- Whether in a lesson or practice, it is the skaters' responsibility to always be conscientious and aware of other skaters around them.

- Skaters must skate with the flow of other skaters and familiarize themselves with the most commonly used areas for jumps and spins. If a skater is unsure, please consult a coach for guidance.
- The only time a skater has the **SOLE** right of way is when they are skating their program to music WITH the yellow or green belt. When you hear another member's music, please extend that skater 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.
- 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. Skaters safety is the main priority please note that unsafe or discourteous behavior of any kind will not be tolerated.

The following is to be used as a general guideline of the flow while on a freestyle session:

