



## U.S. Figure Skating and the Skating Club of CNY Parents Code of Conduct 2023-2024

The skating Club of CNY 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.

The following code of conduct applies to all participants and activities hosted, supported, sponsored or engaged in by U.S. Figure Skating and The Skating Club of CNY including but not limited to competitions, exhibitions, training camps and local rink activities.

By signing below I hereby agree that:

- If I am overheard speaking in a derogatory or negative tone about a skating member, parent, coach or official, I will be subject to disciplinary action by the SC of CNY Board of Directors. This includes, but isn't limited to, making negative remarks about skating ability or appearance. SC of CNY is committed to promoting a positive and friendly environment for all skaters. Please treat your fellow members and the coaches as you would like to be treated: with kindness and respect.
- 2. I understand and agree that any e-mail messages or online postings that I send that involve the Skating Club of Central New York, including its skaters, parents, family members, coaches, judges, and guests shall reflect a positive nature. I also understand and agree that any postings that do not meet these criteria shall be subject to sanction by the Skating Club of CNY's Board of Directors.
- 3. I will encourage my child to skate in a safe and healthy manner. I will read the ice etiquette and safety rules to/with my child, explain their meaning, and teach my child to obey these rules.
- 4. I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all skaters, coaches and officials at every practice session, competition and test session. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake or blame my child's teammates for placement in a competition.
- 5. I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my child ahead of my personal desire to win. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the results of a competitive event. I will be a positive role model for my child and for other skaters.
- 6. I will applaud a good effort in both victory and defeat emphasizing the positive accomplishments and learning from the mistakes.
- 7. I will inform my child's coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.

- 8. I will respect my child's coach and refrain from coaching my child or other skaters during competitions and practices because it may conflict with the coach's plan or strategies.
- 9. I will encourage my child to treat other skaters, coaches, fans, and officials with respect, regardless of race, creed, color, sexual orientation or ability.
- 10. I will teach my child how to resolve conflicts in a healthy manner.
- 11. I will demand a figure skating environment for my child that is free of drug or alcohol abuse and agree that I will not use, or provide to a third party, any prescription drug applicable by federal, state, or municipal law.
- 12. I will not assist or condone any competing athlete's use of a drug banned by the International Olympic Committee, International Skating Union, United States Olympic Committee, or U.S. Figure Skating, or, in the case of athletes, to use such drugs or refuse to submit to properly conducted drug tests administered by one of these organizations.
- 13. I will not provide alcohol to, or condone the use of alcohol by minors, abuse alcohol in the presence of athlete members, or at U.S. Figure Skating activities or, in the case of athletes, consume alcoholic beverages while a minor.
- 14.1 will respect the decisions of officials and their authority during competitions and test sessions and teach my child to do likewise. I will study the rules of the U.S. Figure Skating and teach my child accordingly so that we have an understanding and appreciation of the rules of competition and membership.
- 15.1 will show appreciation and recognize the importance of volunteers and club officials. I will treat all members of the Skating Club of Central New York and their families with respect.

I recognize that my participation or my child's participation in all the activities associated with U.S. Figure Skating and The Skating Club of CNY is an honor and a privilege that carries certain responsibilities. I agree to fully abide by the rules and guidelines set forth by U.S. Figure Skating and its properly designated agents.

By signing below I acknowledge that I have read the terms above and agree to be bound by them.

Printed Name:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_