

LCC Ice Skating Club

LCCISC Skater Code of Ethics & Guidelines

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The LCCISC Skater Code of Ethics and Guidelines is an internal policy document which is to be read and applied in conjunction with the following Ice Skating Australia (ISA) documents:

- Code of Ethics and Behaviour BMP-1001-V1.
- Member Protection Policy - V7 (30/9/13)

In November 2012, the Council of New South Wales Ice Skating Association (NSWISA) voted to adopt the ISA Member Protection Policy. All Liverpool LCCISC skaters are thus bound by the ISA regulations as well as the LCCISC Constitution.

Common sense, courtesy and respect for others should apply at all times and skaters are to comply with the following expectations.

1. Behavioural Expectations

- Observe the rules of ISA, NSWISA and the Liverpool Catholic Club.
- Be respectful, supportive and considerate of other skaters - on & off the ice. Gossip, bullying or practicing unacceptable social behaviours will not be tolerated at any time.
- Act co-operatively and collaboratively with your peers, coaches and others
- Be a good team player and cheer on your competitors and peers.
- Be gracious in times of success and defeat - keep your emotions under control
- Foul, abusive or inappropriate language by our skaters will not be tolerated
- Where an interpersonal issue arises, address it with the other party directly in the first instance and in writing to the committee if it can't be resolved by an informal discussion.
- Skaters must not make negative comments or post material which is critical of others, inappropriate or in breach of laws, regulations and club policies.
- Be courteous towards judges, officials, coaches, club staff, spectators and others - regardless of ethnicity, creed, age, sexual orientation or ability.
- Skaters are to ensure that they present appropriately at all skating events and training sessions - in both costume and behaviour.
- Represent your club with dignity, courtesy and graciousness.
- Take responsibility for your own behaviour and accept the consequences for disciplinary action
- Be honest regarding injury /illness in regards to your skating commitments - apply yourself and fully participate in the lessons and sessions you undertake.
- Skaters must not monopolise the music or harness to the detriment of others.
- All skaters are to respect and protect the equipment available at LCC and other rinks.

2. Safety

- SAFETY FIRST! Do not distract or allow your skating to endanger others.
- Skaters **must** attempt to avoid collisions at all times.
- Hairpins and items likely to cause a hazard must be secured to your person.
- Skaters are to exit the ice when not training - allow others to focus on their training
- When music is played for a skater's program, that skater has 'right of way' over other skaters and should wear the fluoro vest. Other skaters/ coaches should give way if possible to do so
- If you need to talk to someone while on the ice, PLEASE MOVE TO THE EDGE OF THE RINK.

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- g) No headphones or electronic devices are to be used on the ice as these may limit the skater's ability to exercise caution and vigilance.
- h) Only guards and non-breakable water bottles may be placed on the barrier during a training session. All items must be removed at the conclusion of the individual's skate.
- i) Skaters are to leave the ice promptly at the end of a session
- j) Skaters in a standard figure session must not perform 'linked' or partnered moves with more than one other skater at any time (Synchronised and Theatre groups)
- k) Within reason, skaters in a lesson with their coach have priority in right of way over skaters practicing on their own
- l) Skaters are not to be coached on the ice by anyone other than an accredited coach. Parents/carers may provide comfort as needed (e.g. if a child is crying or injured) or to address their skater's behaviour (behaving badly, distracting others or similar).

3. Other

- a) Abide by the rules/decisions of judges and officials. Refer issues to your coach in the first instance.
- b) Where an appeal is to be lodged against a decision, the LCCISC Executive and the LCCISC Technical Convenor MUST be notified in advance. The Technical Convenor will refer the issue appropriately and inform your coach of the decision. The outcomes of any appeal are final.
- c) Skaters must not use substances prohibited by the NSW Institute of Sports Drugs in sport policy. Any medications used should be acknowledged to your coach or LCCISC officials prior to any competition. All skaters are to comply with ASADA testing requirements and fully cooperate with their representatives
- d) Where there is an issue on the ice, refer it to your coach. If your coach is not in attendance, refer the matter to the head coach on duty for resolution.
- e) Familiarise yourself with the Club's policies on safety and social media
- f) It is the responsibility of skaters to ensure that payment for ice time via session cards or payment is prompt and timely.

The LCCISC Committee resolves to handle complaints with fairness and impartiality. Breaches may result in disciplinary action being taken in accordance with the LCCISC constitution. Skaters are welcome to bring their concerns to a committee member if they need assistance in dealing with an issue or have general concerns.

4. References

- a) Ice Skating Australia www.isa.org.au
- b) New South Wales Ice Skating Association www.nswisa.com
- c) LCC Ice Skating Club www.lccisc.com.au
- d) Liverpool Catholic Club www.liverpoolcatholic.com.au
- e) Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority (ASADA) www.asada.gov.au
- f) NSW Office of the Children's Guardian www.kidsafe.gov.au

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