

WFSC Club Skate

Freestyle Etiquette & Rights of Way

Good behavior and sportsmanship are expected at all times, both on and off the ice.

Respect the U.S. Figure Skating Coaches. Coaches are empowered to monitor safety on freestyle sessions, regardless of whether or not it is the skater's own coach.

- RIGHT OF WAY SKATERS:
 - Skaters in a lesson with a coach have the first right of way.
 - Skaters running their programs have the next right of way.
 - EVERYONE needs to look and watch – regardless.
 - COACHES should be guiding the skaters away from collisions. They are also eyes for the skater.
 - If a blade is lifted (spiral) coach must follow behind as a guard.
- Skaters in lessons or running their programs MUST have an orange safety vest on.
- Think of each session as if it is a busy street with lots of traffic. Be on the lookout at all times for other skaters. With skaters of varying levels on one session, it is up to each skater to watch out for their own safety. Check behind you before you change direction.
- Be aware of skaters setting up for jumps or spins and DO NOT cross their path.
- If you fall, please get up immediately. Unless you are injured and need assistance, immediately get up from a fall to avoid any collisions. Laying on, kicking, gouging the ice is strictly prohibited. If you are injured, call for assistance.
- Spins are primarily practiced in the center of the rink. Most jumps are done in corners, with stand-still and some edge jumps practiced by the long-side boards.
- Do not stand around in groups talking or playing.
- See the diagram for more info on traffic flow in an ice rink. This is standard across the United States.

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