# Figure Skating On-Ice Rules

### On-Ice Right of Way

The following establishes the right-of-way for all sessions:

- 1. Coach with person in harness
- 2. Coach with skater and music
- 3. Coach with skater
- 4. Active patterns/programs

Skaters who are not in a lesson must yield to skaters who are in a lesson. Be aware and accommodating to skaters practicing patterns and jumps/spins. All others must be aware of others, especially people spinning, and refer to safety diagram if not sure!

## **Ice Etiquette**

We encourage skaters to:

- 1. Work with others in a respectful and cooperative manner. Treat your skating colleagues, coaches, staff, and parents as you would like to be treated.
- 2. **Encourage and support** your fellow skaters to strive for their best.
- 3. **Develop an awareness of the on-ice environment around you:** Be attentive to other skaters, and communicate to avoid on-ice accidents.
- 4. **Patch holes** made from jumping using the ice bucket provided on the side of the rink.
- 5. **Use freestyle time wisely** to practice and improve skills. Skaters should be constantly moving while on the ice and should be on the boards when talking with friends.

The following behaviors are viewed by the Kirkwood Ice Arena as negative and reflect poorly on our facility:

- 1. **Yelling** at others for reasons other than to prevent a collision.
- 2. Making **negative comments** about skaters and members of our community.
- 3. Using **inappropriate language** toward others in a disrespectful manner. Cursing and other foul language is not tolerated.

If this type of behavior is witnessed, it should be immediately addressed by coaching staff or rink employees in a professional manner.

#### **Revocation of Skating Privileges**

If the Skating Coordinator finds there is an identifiable pattern of behavior and disciplinary action with a skater over a period of time, the individual(s) will be asked to temporarily leave the ice.

#### **Friendly Reminders**

All skaters, coaches, and parents should keep in mind that this program is designed for a wide variety of skaters from Pre-Preliminary through Senior levels. We all love skating and want to provide a positive environment for our skaters to grow and expand their passion for the sport. If anyone has questions, comments, or concerns about our on-ice policies, please **immediately** contact Nola Krauss (Skating Coordinator) at <a href="mailto:kraussnm@kirkwoodmo.org">kraussnm@kirkwoodmo.org</a> or see on-duty rink manager. Thanks everyone and happy skating!

