

## Guidelines for Skaters and Hockey Players

*To ensure a safe and enjoyable environment for all Leisure Skate Participants, all users are required to observe the following regulations:*

### **General Guidelines:**

- **All skaters under 6 years of age must wear CSA approved hockey helmets.** We also recommend that all beginner skaters over the age of six wear CSA approved hockey helmets for their protection.
- When on the ice, all patrons must wear skates. No shoes are permitted on the ice. When wearing skates off the ice, skate guards are recommended for safety.
- Skaters are not permitted to use cell phones or portable music devices while on the ice.
- To enter or leave the ice surface, patrons must use the gate in between the team benches.
- Food or beverages are not allowed on the ice surface.
- For the privacy and protection of our patrons, photography and videotaping is restricted. For special arrangements, please contact staff.
- Alcohol, abusive language and aggressive behavior are not permitted in the facility. Failure to abide by this rule may result in a suspension from the program and/or facility.
- The Mattamy Athletic Centre is not responsible for lost or stolen items. Please do not bring valuables into the facility.

### **For Leisure Skaters:**

For the safety of all skaters, please

- Skate in the direction or flow of the other patrons
- Do not figure skate, speed skate or skate backwards
- Do not carry children while on the ice
- Do not stop for extended times along the boards
- Do not play tag

There may be an area reserved for beginner skaters only. Please be careful when skating by this area.

- Skating walkers may or may not be permitted during leisure skating program times.
- No sticks, balls, pucks, chairs or strollers are allowed on the ice surface. Exceptions will be made for sledges that are to assist those with physical disabilities. The person pushing the sledge is required to wear skates.

### **For Hockey Players:**

- CSA approved hockey helmets must be worn by all persons playing hockey
- Neck guards and face masks are strongly recommended

Staff are present for the well being of all patrons. Please ask staff for assistance if needed.

*Thank you for your cooperation.*

