

Veterans Memorial Community Center



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Open Public Skating Guidelines & Expected Etiquette

Skaters must check in at front desk pay for each session they attend.

Open skate is open to the public and is for skaters of all ages and abilities. It is a fun way to enjoy skating and spend time with friends and family! Private lessons are allowed ONLY if it's appropriate with the number of skaters attending the session, PLEASE use your best judgement.

These rules are here for all skater's safety and the flow of the session so all skaters can have a safe and enjoyable skating experience!

- Skaters age 11 and under must be accompanied by a parent / guardian.
- Horseplay, tag, erratic or excessive speed skating or throwing of objects will not be allowed.
- At no time will there be any objects on the ice that could interfere with the safety of skaters (includes sticks, pucks, gloves, etc.).
- Skaters are not allowed to sit on the boards.
- Skaters and/or spectators ARE NOT allowed in the hockey boxes.
- Everyone on the ice must be wearing skates.
- Walkers are for preschool age skaters learning to skate only.
- All participants must conduct themselves in an appropriate manner at all times.
- Skaters should skate counterclockwise around the rink outside of the red dots. Slower skaters, lessons and skaters working on figure skating elements may skate inside the red dots.
- Private lessons will be allowed ONLY if it is appropriate with the number of skaters attending the session coaches should always use their best judgement.
- Figure skaters and/or skaters taking private lessons may work on skating elements and edgework with a coach. Music, programs and big patterns WILL NOT be allowed. Jumps and spins are only allowed if it is appropriate with the attendance on the ice.
- If private lessons are being conducted, coaches should mostly stay by the boards to coach. They may need to skate with skaters as appropriate. Avoid standing in the middle of traffic patterns.
- Skaters must cooperate with rink staff. **ALWAYS be respectful**, kind and collaborative with those you're are skating with. Those not respecting these rules may be asked to leave the ice. No refunds will be given.
- Have FUN!