

**POLICY NAME** ON - ICE ETIQUETTE

**POLICY NUMBER** 4.3.5

**CATEGORIES**

**DATE PROPOSED:** 4/15/2019

**DATE OF VOTE:** 4/17/2019

**ACCEPT (Y/N):** Y

The Huntsville Skating School and Training Academy (HSSTA) is directly affiliated with US Figure Skating (USFS) and abides by USFS rules and policies, as well as Learn to Skate USA (LTS) rules and policies. To facilitate order and safety on the ice and create a beneficial training environment for all levels, the following rules will apply to all freestyle sessions:

- Skaters may not use cell phones or other personal electronic devices while on the ice surface. If a skater wishes to record their performance or progress on ice, they may have a coach do the recording or they can ask another skater to record them from an off-ice vantage point. Coaches may use phones or iPads on the ice surface to record skaters for teaching purposes. Skaters and coaches may use phones and other devices with the music system.
- Skaters are not allowed to have snacks or refreshments on the ice with the exception of water or sports drinks in unbreakable sealed bottles.
- Skaters are responsible for all personal items they bring with them to the ice area, including tissues, water bottles and any other paraphernalia. All personal items must be cleaned up and removed when the skater departs the ice.
- Chewing gum is prohibited on the ice.
- Skaters must respect the authority of ALL coaches on the ice, not just their own coach.
- Skaters should always be gracious and supportive of the efforts of other athletes on the ice, and treat them with respect. Kind, encouraging language should be used both on and off the ice.
- Tantrums, foul language or any other disruptive or distracting behavior is not allowed.
- Only skaters and coaches are allowed inside the rink area during any HSSTA class or freestyle session. Parents are to remain in the lobby at all times.

Skaters are expected to know and follow the rules. Coaches are expected to guide their students and monitor all activity around them on the ice. Those who fail to abide by the rules will be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including suspension of skating privileges, at the discretion of the Director of Skating (DoS).

**COMMENTS:**