



*Marathon Figure Skating Club. Box 242 Marathon, On. P0T 2E0 [www.mfsc.ca](http://www.mfsc.ca)*

## **MFSC PARENTS' CODE OF CONDUCT**

Parents: You are the most influential people in your child's life. Your job is not only to teach them to win or lose, but to do both graciously. You must also remind them that skating is meant to be FUN. The athletic skills your children learn may only be used for a few years. However, the attitudes they develop toward themselves and others will last a lifetime.

- Promote integrity, fairness, and respect. Treat all other parents and skaters, as you would like to be treated.
- Help your child develop a positive self-image. Encourage your child's participation by promoting good sportsmanship and providing constant positive reinforcement.
- Children learn by example. Promote respect for rules, coaches, judges, evaluators, other parents and skaters.
- Children look at parents as mentors, therefore, lead by example to create a motivating and rewarding environment built on trust and mutual respect between parents, coaches, and fellow skaters.
- Recognize the value and importance of the volunteer. They give their time and resources to provide a Club for your child.
- Be pro-active and informed. Take the initiative to contact the coaches or the Board members to obtain information that pertains to your skater or the Club. Please don't wait for others to inform you.
- If you have any questions, concerns, and/or suggestions, please approach the liaison representative for your skater's group and/or submit them in writing to the Board of Directors.
- When an issue or concern should require the involvement of the Board of Directors, encourage an open and respectful verbal or written dialogue with Club members and/or coaches to promote a healthy resolve.



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- Show respect, appreciation and be supportive. Show respect for officials, coaches, and other club members by not publicly questioning their judgment, integrity, and honesty.
- Parents are responsible for ensuring the safety of the skater when off the ice. Please ensure that if you are not at the arena, arrangements are made to meet your skater for drop off and pick up in a safe area.
- Any person, who deliberately deviates from the Code of Conduct by demonstrating poor behaviour or disrespect for coaches, board members, club members, or skaters, may have their membership suspended.