
ON-ICE RULES FOR THE MIDLAND FSC

1. Courteous behavior is required of all MFSC members at all times.
2. No food, drink, or gum is allowed on the ice.
3. Only water is allowed near the rink boards.
4. Keep skating when on the ice, no visiting or sitting on the boards or on the ice.
5. **Do not monopolize any ice area.**
6. A minimum of two people (one must be 21 years of age or older) must be present on ice or at rink side in order to skate.
7. Skaters may start a skating session up to 10 minutes before the start of the session IF the ice surface is clean and no club or city ice is in session. Otherwise, skaters must wait until the posted starting time.

FREE SKATING - MIF – GENERAL – CITY ICE

1. The first five minutes of all sessions may be warm-up with stroking or other warm-up exercises. Music for warm-up may be played.
2. The right-of-way priority is as follows:
FIRST: Skater(s) in the vest(s) whose program has been given priority.
SECOND: Skater(s) in a harness.
3. Dance MOVES may be practiced without music during Free Skating sessions; dance patterns may be skated with music during General and City Ice sessions.
4. Free dance and pair practice with music is allowed on General and City Ice sessions.
5. Skaters must wear the club-provided high-visibility vest when skating their programs or dance with music.
6. Skaters must wear the club-provided high-visibility vest when skating programs / elements without music (e.g. moves-in-the-field (MIF) element, Spin Program, etc.) when the right-of-way has been requested.
7. Moves-in-the-Field may be practice on MIF, Free Skate, General, and City Ice sessions. No jumps, dances or programs are permitted on MIF designated sessions.
8. City Ice sessions are not monitored. Pros and skaters are expected to work together to fairly manage the playing of music during these sessions.

DANCE

1. The first five minutes may be warm-up stroking.
2. No free skating is allowed on dance sessions.
3. Skaters not skating the dance being played must yield the right-of-way to skaters executing the dance being played.
4. The right-of-way priority is as follows:
FIRST: Skaters in a lesson on the dance playing.
SECOND: Pairs skating the dance playing.
THIRD: Solo skaters skating the dance playing.
FOURTH: All other skaters
5. Skaters following other dancers to learn a dance must stay out of the way of the dancer they are following and skaters on the dance pattern. No more than two skaters may follow one dancer.
6. Skaters must start dances at least one measure apart, but should not overly delay starting.
7. The following dances are to be started in one direction only:
14 step, Kilian, Paso Doble, Viennese Waltz, Quickstep, Argentine Tango, and Westminster Waltz.
8. Club Pros may teach MIF lessons during a dance session.

PUBLIC ICE

1. Club Professionals and skaters will abide by the guidelines established by the Midland Civic Arena for coaching and participating on public ice sessions.

PLAYING OF MUSIC & PRIORITY DURING MONITORED SESSIONS

1. Skaters are not allowed to play their personal music during the skate session. The MFSC coaches will supply background music for use during ice sessions.
2. No music is allowed with profanity, suggestive lyrics, or with offensive topics. The Ice Monitor will stop music deemed unacceptable.
3. Skaters are to give the Ice Monitor their program music and / or put their name on the list for priority for dance or other program / element requests. Music / requests will be played in the order received in accordance with bullet 4.
4. Program priorities are as follows:
 - a. Pro request for the student they are teaching (max. of 2 requests per student per session)
 - b. Skaters registered for that session
 - c. Skaters skating a make up session
 - d. Skaters who are “dropping in”
5. Monitors should announce the name of the skater whose has the right-of-way priority and the skater who is next in priority.
6. A skater who refuses their request when it is announced will have their request placed at the end of the rotation.
7. Every effort will be made to play each skater’s music, dance, non-music program or element request at least once per session.

PAYMENT FOR ICE TIME

1. Skaters must either buy a City Ice Punch Card from the Midland Civic Arena and have the card punched at the Pro Shop prior to each skate on City Ice or pay cash at the Pro Shop prior to use of City Ice.
2. Skaters who are currently registered for Club Ice may make-up ice on a Club Ice session they are not registered for. They MUST notify the monitor before getting on the ice. Skaters, who are not currently registered for the Club Ice session and who are not on the session as a make-up, are considered drop-in. Drop-in skaters MUST notify the monitor AND pay the drop-in fee.
3. Guest skaters must pay the drop-in ice fee to the ice monitor for club ice sessions. Guest skaters must pay the City Ice or public ice payment at the Rink Pro Shop before entering onto the ice.
4. Skaters and Club Professionals must pay for public ice at the Midland Civic Arena Pro Shop before getting onto the ice.
5. Registered skaters must pay all ice fees for the current skating session by the end of the session. The Ice Registrar may notify the MFSC Board of payments not received within 30 days of the close of the session. The MFSC Board and Ice Registrar will determine appropriate action on payments not received.

DISCIPLINARY ACTION

1. Skaters who knowingly and/or repeatedly disregard these rules, whose behavior is a hazard to other skaters, or who are disrespectful toward other skaters, Pros, or ice monitors will be disciplined and may be removed from the ice.
2. MFSC members who are disrespectful toward skaters, Club Professionals, or Ice Monitors may be removed from the ice arena.

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3. Club Professionals, Monitors, Board Members, Judges, Ice Administrator, and Ice Arena Staff have the authority to enforce these rules.