



Smithfield Figure Skating Club

COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

1. Coaches should teach their students proper on-ice ethics, such as:
 - a. Watching out for the skater with the vest
 - b. Looking both ways before skating away from the boards
 - c. Politeness to other skaters, coaches and volunteers
 - d. Courtesy to any skater who is in preparation for a jump or in a spin
 - e. Courtesy to any skater who is the middle of a jump element or spin
 - f. Not trying to overtake a fellow skater for a spot to do a jump or spin

2. Coaches should extend common courtesy to their fellow coaches on and off the ice

3. Coaches should refrain from any critical comments they may have about another coach or skater while on rink grounds, denigrating / talking down club programs, or engaging in any form of solicitation, such as:
 - Promoting themselves or having one of their skaters/parents approach another skater/parent about lessons
 - Soliciting members to go and join other skating clubs

4. When a coach is using the harness, they should give the right-of-way to all other skaters around them. The coach and student using the harness should not have the right-of-way. Do not head away from the boards until it is clear.

5. Coaches should be constantly aware of their surroundings and should not stand in one place at the middle of the ice.

6. All coaches should know and follow all our rules pertaining to Freestyle, Moves-in-the-Field and Ice Dancing. If a coach is in violation of the rules on multiple occasions, then he or she will be brought before the Board of Governors to discuss the matter. If the rules are continuously broken, then the coach will be disciplined up to and including suspension of teaching privileges.

Signature of Coach _____

Date _____