

ORONO FIGURE SKATING CLUB 2020-2021 SEASON

Frequently Asked Questions

Will there be skating lessons offered this season?

Orono Figure Skating Club will be open for business this fall, offering lessons for both Canskate and Starskate members with some modified protocol.

What COVID screening and safety measures will be implemented by the OFSC?

- A health screening questionnaire must be completed each day by each skater prior to entering the building (insert link here).
- Separate entry / exit doors will be used in order to control the directional flow of our members and ensure social distancing.
- Signage will be placed inside the arena to remind patrons of social distancing expectations and direction of flow.
- Hand sanitizer will be available at each entry door.

How will registrations be accepted?

In order to maintain safety through social distancing, our registration process will be conducted entirely online this year. Parents will access the virtual registration link.

Canskate Registration - <https://forms.gle/xfFePaH4vWLndcSo6>

Starskate Registration - <https://forms.gle/2d2by7MdaGgjMFnLA>

How will payments be made this season?

E-transfer payments to ofscpayments@gmail.com are strongly encouraged.

Due to the current situation, we will only be accepting payments for the first half of the season. Payments for the second half will be due **December 15, 2020**.

Skaters may still register for the entire season in order to secure their place.

What will the costs be for this season?

Canskate

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| Half Season (October to December) | \$287.50 |
| Half Season (January to April) | \$287.50 |
| Full Season (October to April) | \$575 |

Starskate

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| Base Price | \$500 |
| Skate Day(s) | \$150 (1 hour) |
| | \$225 (1.5 hour) |

**see website for specific days and hours*

Will there be refunds issued if the skating season is cancelled or interrupted by COVID again?

If the arena gets shut down by the Municipality, then we will work out the price for each skating lesson, and work out how much would be remaining and issue refunds based on that.

Will masks be worn at skating?

All of our coaches and program assistants will be required to wear masks on ice during skating sessions.

Skaters and parents will be required to wear masks when they enter the building. Skaters may remove their masks just prior to stepping on the ice and skate without a mask during their session. They will put their mask back on when they get off the ice.

How will CANSKATE programming be modified to reflect the COVID 19 protocol?

Due to limited ice capacity and the need to minimize contact within multiple cohorts, Canskate members will be able to register for **one night of skating only** this season.

Coaches will continue to teach the same CANSKATE program developed by Skate Canada.

The number of skaters permitted on the ice surface will be limited to 36, in addition to a maximum of 9 coaches / program assistants.

Class sizes will be kept small with groups well spaced across the ice surface.

Whenever possible, program assistants will be assigned to help the same group of children each week.

Only equipment that can be easily sanitized will be used on the ice surface.

Will I be able to watch my child skate?

Due to current public health guidelines which limit indoor gatherings to 50 people, parents will not be permitted to watch their child skate at this time. We will monitor the recommendations of the Public Health Units and will make changes based on their information. It is strongly recommended that parents remain in the parking lot or at a location in close proximity to the arena while their child is skating, in case of emergency.

What will the procedure be for dropping off my child?

1. Before entering the building each day, please make sure to complete the health questionnaire found at this link: <https://forms.gle/yQJwxxLBtDzk5yEA>
2. Skaters will NOT be permitted into the building until this has been completed.
3. Skaters and parents will enter through the northeast door of the building (south side of the grandstand) Parents will place their child onto the ice surface, and proceed to the lobby, and out the main entrance. ****See map on website**

What will the procedure be for picking up my child?

1. Groups will be dismissed one at a time.
2. Parents will receive a text when their child's group has left the ice surface.
3. Parents will enter the lobby through the main entrance **wearing a mask** , and then meet their child in the ice area.
4. Skaters and Parents will exit the arena through northeast doors south of the grandstand.
***See map on website*

How should I prepare my child for each skating session?

- Skaters should use the washroom at home prior to arriving at skating.
- Skaters should arrive at the arena fully dressed in warm clothing, helmets, mittens, and also **wearing skates and guards.**

What if my child needs to use the washroom during the skating session?

Parents will be contacted to enter the building in order to escort their child to the washroom.

What if my child becomes ill?

If a child becomes ill during the skating session, they will be escorted from the ice surface, and supervised in isolation by an OFSC board member until their parent arrives to pick them up.

If your child becomes ill before skating, please keep them at home to rest and recover. They are welcome to return to skating 48 hours after symptoms are resolved.