

# Public Skating Guidelines

**The City of Edmonton is committed to creating safe, healthy, vibrant spaces. In promoting shared positive experiences we ask all participants to observe the principles of safety, respect and courtesy.**

- There will be no on-ice staff available at single pad arenas and before 4pm on weekdays at multi-pad arenas. On-site staff are available during these times, if assistance is needed.
- Age restrictions may apply; please see Public Skate Schedule for details.
- Children ages 8 and under must be accompanied on ice and actively supervised by a responsible person aged 13+.
- Helmets are strongly recommended for all skaters.
- Sledge skating is permitted.
- Use of cell phones and/or headphones while on the ice is not permitted.
- Carrying an infant on the ice, regardless of helmet or safety attire, is not permitted due to the risk of injury to both the child and guardian.
- Skaters should skate at a safe speed. Faster skaters are expected to skate on the outside, with slower skaters on the inside of the rink.
- Skaters should not loiter along the arena boards or in areas that may block the traffic flow.
- Skaters are expected to rest at centre ice. Skaters should not sit on the boards.
- Figure skating is not permitted, except during specified figure skate times.
- Formal or organized coaching is not permitted.
- Those displaying unsafe or inappropriate behaviour on or off the ice will be asked to leave.
- Skating aids are available for public use, however, skaters may bring their own commercially made skating aid product as long as it is in good working order.
- The following items are not permitted during Public Skate, unless specified on the schedule:
  - Sticks, pucks and rings of any kind, including hockey & Ringette sticks
  - Food or beverage, with the exception of sealed water bottles.
  - Toboggans, Sleighs or Wagons
  - Child Car Seats, Baby Carriers or Strollers
  - Blankets, Stuffed Animals or Toys
  - Homemade skate aids
  - Shoes

**Thank you for your cooperation. Enjoy your skate!**