



**Chicago Edge Skating Academy
Freestyle Ice Guidelines
Welcome Skaters!**

Open Freestyle: Freestyle ice is for skaters level Basic 3 and up who want to independently practice their skills, programs or take private lessons. Skaters at levels Basic 2 and below are not permitted to skate on the session independently and are required to be accompanied by a coach in a private lesson for the entire length of their session.

In order to ensure that you have a safe, productive and fun experience on Freestyle Ice we ask that you read the following guidelines carefully and thank you for your cooperation. Changes may be added to ensure safety for all. If a skater causes an unsafe skating environment, their ability to skate independently may be reevaluated, regardless of the skater's level.

When skaters enter the ice for the freestyle session they should skate the barrier of the boards not through the middle of the arena to avoid interrupting the freestyle session.

Freestyle Ice Programming Guidelines – Ice Etiquette Safety Guidelines

Please review the Freestyle Ice Programming Guidelines and Ice Etiquette documents carefully. All participants and their parents must agree to abide by the Freestyle Ice Programming Guidelines and Ice Etiquette and Safety rules.

All documents can be found at www.chicagoedgeskating.com/freestyle-ice and then scroll to "Resources for skaters and coaches".

Freestyle Ice Registration

Freestyle ice is booked on a monthly basis using the on-line registration system. Walk-on registration is permitted based on availability, please check the on-line registration system before attempting to walk-on. Yearly-unlimited, monthly-unlimited and walk-on ice time can be purchased online at www.chicagoedgeskating.com/freestyle-ice.

Monthly Registration Schedule

Freestyle ice registration opens the 2nd or 3rd week of the prior month. In some instances, a two-month schedule is released based on availability and season. If you have questions about freestyle ice, please contact admin@chicagoedgeskating.com.

Freestyle Packages, Punch Cards, Walk-On Rates and Prices

Gold Package - \$4,800 for one year of unlimited freestyle ice-time from the date

Silver Package - \$350 for unlimited monthly ice-time for academy members. Academy members must be enrolled in the current session of Chicago Edge classes to qualify for this rate and receive the exclusive coupon code. Email admin@chicagoedgeskating.com to see if you qualify for the coupon code.

Bronze Package - \$430 for unlimited monthly ice-time for non-academy members.

Freestyle packages cannot be shared among skaters. All skaters must have their own package. Skaters who remain on the ice 6 minutes past their purchased time slot will be charged for an additional half hour of ice time.

Punch Cards -

Freestyle Punch Cards are required for skaters who regularly practice and take lessons on our Freestyle Ice. The exception would be for any skaters that are already registered for Unlimited Packages. Carefully read the policies and rules for punch cards before purchasing.

10-Hour Punch Card: Purchase 10 hours of freestyle ice time, and you'll receive a discount on your 11th punch of one 30-minute session free. Hour-punches cannot be split into half-hours and must be redeemed as a whole.

10 Half-Hour Punch Card: If you prefer shorter sessions, you can opt for 10 half-hour sessions and enjoy the same discount on your 11th punch of one hour punch half off.

Walk-on Rates - *for all skaters, members and non-members* - \$14 for 30-minutes and \$25 for 60-minutes effective September 5th, 2023.

Partner Work

No partner work is permitted on freestyle sessions including ice dance, pair skating or synchro skating without advanced approval from the Program Director. At the discretion of and with advanced approval from the Program Director, partner work may be allowed at non-prime, low attendance sessions to ensure a safe skating environment for all.

Semi-Private Lessons – Group Lessons

Semi-private lessons (2 skaters) are permitted on freestyle. Group lessons (3+) skaters are not permitted on freestyle ice at any time.

Music

Freestyle ice is equipped with Bluetooth connectivity and a CD player. Music is to be played on the honor system with skaters forming a line at the start of each session and taking turns playing their music. Coaches are permitted one pro-cut in line per lesson. Music should not be restarted if there is a line of music to be played. Skaters may play their music 2 times per 30-minute session, unless in a lesson and adhering to pro-cut procedures. Skaters must wear a belt while music is being played and skaters skating to music have the right of way. When needed, coaches and skaters should utilize the white board at center ice for music queuing.

Coaches Compliance

All coaches teaching private lessons on freestyle ice must provide Julie DeRose and Ritsa Gariti proof of their coaching compliance for the current season prior to scheduling any lessons. Please take a picture of the coaches compliance card from USFS or forward compliance documentation to admin@chicagoedgeskating.com. In addition, coaches must sign a Coaches' Code of Conduct prior to teaching any lessons. Insurance must show Chicago Edge Skating Academy as additionally insured. Stay Safe/Safe Sport compliance needs to be submitted.

Pro Fees and Guest Coaches

Coaches that are not on staff with CESA Learn to Skate classes should be approved by CESA management prior to stepping on Freestyle Ice.

CESA Management reserves the right to change or alter on-ice and off-ice policies and procedures at any time without notice.

For any questions or concerns, please email Program Directors Ritsa Gariti and Julie DeRose at admin@chicagoedgeskating.com