

# GENERAL INFORMATION

Speed Skating Season 2008-09

## REGISTRATION FEES:

Level	Hours of Practice Per Week	Non City Resident	Charlottetown Resident
Novice 1 & 2 (5-8 years)	1.0	\$200.00	\$100.00 (\$200-\$100 City Subsidy)
Development 1 (7-12 years)	1.0	\$200.00	\$100.00 (\$200-\$100 City Subsidy)
Development 2 (9 years and up)	2.0	\$385.00	\$265.00 (\$385-\$120 City Subsidy)
Competitive B (10 years and up)	3.0	\$460.00	\$340.00 (\$460-\$120 City Subsidy)
Competitive A (12 years and up)	4.0	\$550.00	\$430.00 (\$550-\$120 City Subsidy)
Recreational (13 years and up) *	2.0	\$320.00	\$200(18 yrs & under) (\$320-\$120 City Subsidy) \$320 (19 yrs +)

10% discount - 2 or more skaters from same family

Charlottetown City Subsidy = 1/2 of Registration fee to a maximum of \$120.00

Non-City residents can check with their local communities for possible participation refund.

\* Recreational skaters are considered non-competitive. If they wish to attend an off-island competition an additional fee of \$50 (in addition to the meet registration fee) will be required for the first competition (payable to SSPEI); payment to full amount of regular registration if attend 2 or more competitions.

## PAYMENT POLICIES

**Terms:** 50% of fees due at registration, 25% postdated for October 31<sup>st</sup> and remaining 25% postdated for December 31<sup>st</sup>. Either payment in full or all post dated cheques must be submitted at the time of registration. Skate rentals must be paid with registration fees.

**Cancellation:** All skaters (returning and new) who discontinue by October 31, 2008, will receive a full refund. No refunds after October 31, 2008 unless for medical reasons.

**Canceled Practices:** No refunds / credits will be issued for practices that are canceled due to storms, concerts etc. Registration fees will not be pro-rated for skaters who can't attend all practices at regularly scheduled times.

**Tax Receipts:** Receipts for tax rebate on your 2008 Tax Return will be issued upon payment in full.

## SKATE RENTALS

A limited number of long blade speed skates will be available for rent on a first come first serve basis. Coaches will recommend the levels that should use long blades. Younger skaters (Novice, Development 1) may use hockey skates. Please, no figure skates.

	Rental Charge
Zanstra Molded Skates -----	\$35.00
Bont (Australian) Skates -----	\$85.00
Boots without blades-----	less \$35.00
Clap Blades-----	\$75.00

**\*\* Parents must sign rental agreement and rental fees are due at the time of registration.**

**Skates must be returned in good condition at the end of the skating season.**

If skates are not available to fit an individual, the Club will endeavor to obtain appropriate skates, prior to the start of the season. Skaters may purchase their own skates and the coaches recommend that serious competitive skaters purchase their own blades and consider purchasing their own skates.

## FUND RAISING

Speed Skate PEI is a non-profit organization that relies on registration fees and fundraising to fund its programs. Everyone in the organization is a volunteer. Without the help of all skaters and their parents to run the Club and raise the funds necessary to support its activities, Speed Skate PEI would not be able to offer the level and quality of programs that it does. We need volunteers to help out at many activities during the year and we need all families to assist with fund raising.

*Note: Speed Skate PEI now offers skaters the option to pay a lump sum fundraising fee at the time of registration. Please see the letter regarding this.*

## PRACTICE TIMES

**For up to date information, always check the Hotline (628-6606) or the website: [www.isn.net/speedskating/](http://www.isn.net/speedskating/)**

Regular season begins Tuesday, September 30, 2008. All ice practices will be held at the Charlottetown Civic Center. All skaters **MUST** use the dressing rooms before and after the practices to change and enter the rink from that side. These rooms are identified on a bulletin board as you enter the ice surface area. Often, after practices the coaches and/or volunteers wish to relay information to the skaters and/or parents and the dressing room is the easiest place for this to take place. We will also have our own bulletin board to post information notices.

All Novice and Development skaters must be at the rink in sufficient time to put on skates and equipment prior to practice (usually 15 minutes). Competitive skaters are expected to arrive early at the rink for warm-up and dryland training, as directed by the coaching staff (30 min for Comp B; 60 minutes for Comp A on Tues and Thurs).

Skaters who are late must wait for the coach's permission to enter the ice surface. When the younger skaters are ready for their practice, they should gather on the player benches and remain there until the coach advises the skaters to enter the ice (as a group).

The Charlottetown Civic Center hosts many special events so there will be times when practices are cancelled. Practices may be cancelled due to poor weather conditions.

**PARENTS OF SKATERS IN DEVELOPMENT AND HIGHER GROUPS ARE EXPECTED TO HELP PUT ON AND TAKE OFF THE SAFETY MATS AT PRACTICES.**

## Practice Schedule

Novice	Saturday	12:45-1:45pm
Development I	Monday	5:15-6:15 pm
Development II	Monday Thursday	6:30-7:30 pm 5:15-6:15 pm
Comp B	Tuesday Thursday Saturday	5:45 pm (warm-up); Ice: 6:15-7:15 pm 6:00 pm (warm-up); Ice: 6:30-7:30 pm 1:30 pm (warm-up); Ice: 2- 3 pm
Comp A	Tuesday Thursday Saturday	6:30 pm (Off-ice); Ice: 7:30– 8:30 pm 6:45 pm (Off-ice); Ice: 7:45-8:45 pm 2:30 pm (warm-up); Ice: 3:15- 5:00/5:30 pm
Recreational	Tuesday Thursday	6:15-7:15 pm* 6:30-7:30 pm*

\* if times are not suitable or if a recreational skater would like to increase participation at certain times of the year, arrangements may be made with the Head Coach

**NOTE:** Scheduled ice times are tentative and days/times may be changed depending upon the numbers of skaters registered.

### REQUIRED EQUIPMENT:

**ALL OF THE FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES WHILE ON THE ICE, OR SKATERS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED ON THE ICE SURFACE.**

See the Club handbook for more details.

- **Helmet - bike, hockey, roller blading, or speed skating**  
(see Handbook for competition requirements)
- **Bib Type Neck Guard made of ballistic nylon (worn inside clothing)**
- **Knee Pads (volleyball or speedskating style)**
- **Shin Guards (hard plastic soccer style; worn under clothing)**
- **Cut Resistant Gloves (leather, thinsulate, kevlar, etc.)**
- **Any eyewear (glasses, protective goggles) must be held on with a strap.**

### RECOMMENDED SAFETY EQUIPMENT

- **Elbow Pads are recommended for younger skaters (Novice and Development 1)**
- **For Novice skaters, full face protection in the form of a hockey mask is recommended.**
- **For skaters participating in programs where skaters wear long blades and for competition, Speed Skate PEI recommends that all skaters wear sport goggles certified for use in racquetball or squash. Any eyewear must be held on with a strap.**

**P.E.I. ATLANTIC CUP SPEED SKATING CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**October 25 - 26, 2008**

Our major project for the year is hosting the Atlantic Cup Speed Skating Championship. In order to run a successful meet, many hands are needed to pitch in which will continue to help make the Atlantic Cup one of the most popular competitions in the Atlantic provinces. The ice is always fast and the competition exciting and fun for all the skaters.

As in the past, skaters and parents are urged to sell advertising in the Atlantic Cup program. Forms and programs from last year's event are available to help you. One third of the monies raised by each skater for program sales are credited toward the cost of the skater's registration fees / skate rentals. A number of skaters last year deferred their entire registration fees by selling advertising in this program. We encourage you to SELL, SELL, SELL !!! It will be of great financial benefit to both you and Speed Skate PEI. Deadline for the Atlantic Cup advertising is October 1, 2008. Contact James Monthony or Judy Connell for more information.

It is essential that at least one parent from each skating family volunteer to the help with the Atlantic Cup. Volunteers do not need to be familiar with speed skating and we encourage parents who have children starting this year to help. Our meet coordinators will be contacting you in the near future to ask for your assistance. You may also be asked to provide snacks for volunteers during the meet.

Please offer your assistance !!! Thank you !!!

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We need one parent from every group to act as the parent representative. This individual will help with off-ice communications between the coaches, parents, and skaters. This may involve distributing notices at the rink, phoning parents, and bringing parents concerns to the attention of the coaches (or vice versa). If you are willing to help with any of these positions, please contact either James or Phil as soon as possible.