



Kamloops Long Blades Association

POLICY I: Speed Skating Equipment

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I-1 POLICY: Skate Allotment

1. Skates complete with guards and socks will be provided as decided by the directors each year. Fees for use of skates will be decided each season by the Board.
2. In the event of shortages, the following procedure will be followed:
 - a. the board can allocate sufficient funds to purchase the required size if funds are available.
 - b. skaters from the previous season will have first choice of the skates they wore that skating season.
 - c. skates will be allocated at the discretion of the equipment coordinator and/or coach coordinator.

I-2 POLICY: Skate Maintenance

1. The parent/guardian of a skater under the age of 19 years is responsible for sharpening the blades, and proper maintenance of the skates.
2. The skates must not be altered by anyone other than the senior coaches and/or the equipment manager.
3. The skates must be sharpened and returned to the club at the end of the skating season. If a skater quits or leaves the club before the end of the season, the skates must be returned immediately.
4. Skates may be used for summer camps, with the permission from the equipment manager and/or the coach coordinator.

I-3 POLICY: Skinsuits

1. All skaters are encouraged to wear appropriate skin suits.
2. It is highly recommended for all skaters on the ice with the competitive or fastest group to wear cut resistant skin suits for the skaters' safety and protection.

I-4 POLICY: Jigs

1. KLB has a supply of jigs that may be made available to members.
2. Jigs provided by KLB can only leave the rink with permission of the coach coordinator or the equipment manager.

I-5 POLICY: Helmets

1. The club will attempt, if funds allow, to purchase a supply of helmets that can be lent to or purchased by members in the case of an emergency.

I-6 POLICY: Other Equipment

1. The equipment manager must approve all borrowing of equipment.
2. Safety mats must be inspected annually for repairs and quality of safety