

ICE-SKATING PROGRAM WAIVER & RELEASE

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The Niles Park District is committed to conducting its recreation programs and activities in a safe manner and holds the safety of participants in high regard. The Niles Park District continually strives to reduce such risks and insists that all participants follow safety rules and instructions that are designed to protect the participants' safety. However, participants and parents/guardians of minors registering for this program must recognize that there is an inherent risk of injury when choosing to participate in recreational activities.

You are solely responsible for determining if you or your minor child/ward are physically fit and/or adequately skilled for ice-skating activities. It is always advisable, especially if the participant is pregnant, disabled in any way or recently suffered an illness, injury or impairment, to consult a physician before undertaking any physical activity.

WARNING OF RISK

Ice-skating is intended to challenge and engage the physical, mental and emotional resources of the participant. Despite careful and proper preparation, instruction, medical advice, conditioning and equipment, there is still a risk of serious injury, including but not limited to head injury, neck or back injury, wrist and ankle fractures, and other orthopedic injuries to limbs and joints. All hazards and dangers cannot be foreseen. The very nature of ice-skating is risky, including but not limited to slip and falls, colliding with other players of varying degrees of skill (including being struck from behind), tripping on irregular ice surfaces, cuts from skate blades, inadequate or defective equipment, ill-fitting skates, failure in supervision or instruction, horseplay, carelessness, poor technique, poor conditioning, rule violations, striking a stationary object, premises defects outside the rink, and all other risks inherent to the sport of ice-skating. In this regard, it must be recognized that it is impossible for the Niles Park District to guarantee absolute safety.

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK

Please read this form carefully and be aware that in signing up and participating in this program/activity, you will be expressly assuming the risk and legal liability and waiving and releasing all claims for injuries, damages or loss which you or your minor child/ward might sustain as a result of participating in any and all activities connected with and associated with this program/activity (including transportation services and vehicle operations, when provided).

I recognize and acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury to participants in this program/activity, and I voluntarily agree to assume the full risk of any and all injuries, damages or loss, regardless of severity, that my minor child/ward or I may sustain as a result of said participation. I further agree to waive and relinquish all claims I or my minor child/ward may have (or accrue to me or my child/ward) as a result of participating in this program/activity against the Niles Park District, including its officials, agents, volunteers and employees.

I have read and fully understand the above important information, warning of risk, assumption of risk and waiver and release of all claims. If registering on-line or via fax, my on-line or facsimile signature shall substitute for and have the same legal effect as an original form signature.

PLEASE PRINT

Participant's Name

Date _____

Participant's Signature

(18 years or older or Parent/Guardian)

PARTICIPATION WILL BE DENIED

If the signature of adult participant or parent/guardian and date are not on this waiver.