

Princeton Recreation Department Ice Skating Safety Guidelines

Updated information on ice conditions will be posted on our social media pages (Facebook & Twitter), as well as online at www.princetonrecreation.com
For additional information, please call 609-921-9480 during normal business hours (M - F, 9 am - 5 pm).



RED FLAG = ICE IS UNSAFE FOR SKATING

Rules & Regulations

NO Evening Skating permitted. Skating hours are 10 am - dusk.

NO Skating when surface is covered with snow.

Red flags = ice is UNSAFE for skating.

White flags = ice is SAFE for skating.



WHITE FLAG = ICE IS SAFE FOR SKATING

Authorized Skating Sites

Community Park North Pond

Barbara Smoyer Pond

Lake Carnegie between Harrison & Washington Road bridges

In Case of Emergency

- Stay calm, think, and waste no time! Get Someone, if possible, to go for help!
 - Call the Princeton Police - 911 or 609-921-2100
- **DO NOT** attempt to get close to the person in the water. Get an object to the person by reaching along the surface of the ice.
- **Safety Equipment** - Located at strategic points around the skating area on highly visible posts are ring buoys and 60 ft. of rope.

General Information

Ice Updates: Please check PRD social media pages & www.princetonrecreation.com for ice updates. **DO NOT** call Princeton University Public Safety or Princeton Police for updates.

Ice Condition & Thickness: Ice thickness is checked daily by PRD staff as needed. PRD requires a minimum of 5 inches of ice across the entire authorized area AND that the surface is considered safe (meaning the majority of the surface is smooth, not rough, bumpy, jagged or snow covered). Skaters are reminded that the sites are natural bodies of water. Some areas of the sites may have a few surface irregularities. Therefore, skating is at your own risk!

Flag Locations

- The Community Park North flag is located on the side berm, near the Mountain Avenue jug handle on Route 206.
There is also a small pennant flag on the side of the CP North pond near the pathway.
- At Barbara Smoyer Park, there is one flag located in front of the pump house and one flag located on the opposite side of the pond.
- The two flags on Lake Carnegie are located on top of the Princeton University Boat House off of Washington Road and on the side of Lake Carnegie by the Harrison Street Bridge.



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