

Music Guidelines

Playing music is a key part of any competition. These guidelines have been prepared to assist in the playing of music at competitions. Work in conjunction with the Skate Canada Manitoba Audio Electronics personnel to ensure proper procedures are followed.

- ❑ Ensure all necessary equipment is available and operating properly (including correct timing and speed). Back up equipment must be available in case of an emergency.
- ❑ There must be a communication link between the Audio Electronic Technician and the Event Referee (walkie-talkies are available from Skate Canada Manitoba).
- ❑ The Chief Data Specialist will provide a skating order to you.
- ❑ Arrange the cassettes/CD's in the order of skate.
- ❑ During warm-up it is permissible to play music but program tapes are not to be played. The music played must be suitable to the audience as well as to the skaters (lyrics must be censored prior to use).
- ❑ For official competition practices each skater's music must be played during the session (where applicable).
- ❑ Music is to be delivered from registration 15 minutes prior to the start of the event.
- ❑ Check the cassettes against the list of competitors to ensure none are missing and the tapes are in the correct skating order.
- ❑ With a pencil or the tip of your finger wind the leader off each tape so the skater does not have to wait for the start of their music.
- ❑ When the skater is in their starting position and motionless start the music.
- ❑ If a skater stops before the end of their music do not stop the music unless otherwise instructed by the event referee.
- ❑ If the skater feels there is a problem he or she must report to the referee immediately.
- ❑ When you notice a skater has stopped skating before the end of the program take note of the counter reading on the tape deck. If the referee asks you to replay a portion of the music this will be your reference point. Check with the referee as to how much before the reading you are to rewind.
- ❑ When the event is completed return the cassettes to registration.
- ❑ If you are holding an Improv Event at the Regional Competition, please contact Skate Canada Manitoba for the music.