

RAMONA SKATEPARK CHAMPIONS POP-UP SKATEPARK

RULES OF RAMONA SKATEPARK ETTIQUETTE

1. **SAFETY GEAR ALWAYS REQUIRED!** If you are riding, you **MUST** have your helmet fastened to your head. Beginners must wear full pads. Parents can waive pads for intermediate or advanced riders. This will be on the waiver you sign. **Kids MUST voluntarily follow their parent's wishes on safety gear, (and helmets are not optional,) or be removed from the park.** Period. Full stop. **No warnings.**
2. **ONLY 20 PARTICPANTS ACTIVELY ON THE COURT AT ONE TIME!** If there are a lot of kids waiting on the sideline, you may be asked to step out and take a water break for a few minutes to let someone on.
3. **KNOW WHAT YOU ARE DOING!** Never attempt to ride in any skatepark before learning to properly balance, turn and stop your equipment, with full control. Coaches are always available to help you learn the fundamentals.
4. **LEARN TO FALL SAFELY!** You can run off, slide out on your kneepads, or learn to roll with the fall. Coaches are always available. Get tips and tricks for how the pro's fall safely.
5. **GO WITH THE FLOW!** There is a flow in every skatepark, and ours will change daily, depending on how the equipment is setup. Pay attention to others who are moving through the space, and go with the flow, while still being prepared for those traveling in unexpected directions.
6. **COMMUNICATE WITH EACH OTHER!** While dropping in or traversing the park, be sure to yield to others and communicate to those around you regarding your intended direction.
7. **DO NOT STOP, STAND OR SIT WHERE OTHERS WANT TO TRAVEL!** If you need to pause, do so off the court, on the sidelines. Do not hang your equipment over edges or copings until it is your turn to drop in, and you are ready to go.
8. **DO NOT RIDE ANYWHERE ELSE ON THE PREMISES, IN THE PARKING LOT OR IN THE STREET!** We only have permission to use the designated area.
9. **KEEP CONTROL OF YOUR BOARD!** Skate within your ability level and always keep control of your board. Never "shoot" your board or kick it away intentionally. If your board gets loose, accidentally, shout out loudly, **"BOARD!!"**
10. **INSPECT YOUR EQUIPMENT AND THE SURFACE!** Inspect your equipment and the surface before riding. Be sure your equipment is maintained properly, and if you notice debris on the park, remove it.
11. **CLEAN UP AFTER YOURSELF!** There is a trash bag or box somewhere. If you don't see it, ask. Don't leave bottles or wrappers or other debris laying around. We must take care of the grounds in order to keep permission to use this space.
12. **BE RESPECTFUL TO EVERYONE!** Always LISTEN to the coach, assistant coaches and volunteers and DO what they ask. Always listen to each other, encourage each other, and use your words wisely.
13. **NO SMOKING, NO VAPING, NO ALCOHOL, NO DRUGS, NO BAD LANGUAGE, NO BULLYING, NO ANGRY TEMPER, NO HURTFUL WORDS!** Only your skatepark equipment, safety gear, and happy smiling faces of every kind, shape and size, (unless it is a serious face working persistently on a trick.) We either encourage each other or we leave each other alone to focus on our own business. That's a period. These are your options.

Ramona's Pop-up Skatepark is a safe space. There is always an adult in the park during hours to whom you can report trouble, and they will respond to be sure you are safe. No one should ever touch you or scare you and if you are uncomfortable, report it immediately, at the time of the incident. Things of this nature are taken seriously. If you think someone did not respond appropriately to your report, at the time of the incident, contact Tracy Engel at info@ramonaskatepark.org.

Studies have shown that helmets can reduce the risk of a head injury by 85 percent and brain injury by 88 percent.

It is important for families and coaches to be united on the subject of skatepark etiquette and safety gear. We understand that some parents and guardians may not require the kids to wear helmets or safety gear at home, or when you go on a family skatepark adventure. However, for kids to participate in the growing sport of skateboarding or any organized event at any skatepark, including clinics, camps and competitions, they need to be willing to put on the gear. Parents are a huge influence in this respect. Siblings and peers are, as well.

SIGNING BELOW INDICATES YOU'VE RECEIVED A COPY OF THE RULES AND YOU UNDERSTAND THEM.

If you break the rules you may need to leave with no refund. You can return another day to try again. **We are not required to give warnings, because you know the rules and the rules are posted.** If you consistently break the rules, day after day, you may be asked to return when you are another year older, and possibly better able to follow the rules.

PARENT/GAURDIAN SIGNATURE _____

PARENT/GAURDIAN PRINTED NAME _____ DATE _____

PARTICIPANT SIGNATURE _____

PARTICIPANT PRINTED NAME _____ DATE _____