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Date: 11/13/2020

Town of West Seneca - Youth and Recreation  
1250 Union Rd  
West Seneca, New York 14224

RE: NY Forward Guidelines

Dear Operator,

Your business, Town of West Seneca - Youth and Recreation, received a letter previously limiting on-ice activities. Upon review of the New York State Interim Guidance for Sports and Recreation during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (see link below), it has been determined that figure skating activities are allowed.

All other restrictions of on-ice activities are still in effect as stated in the previous letter.

If you allow any of the prohibited activities, your facility may be subject to penalties by the State of New York or Erie County Department of Health, up to and including, fine and/or closure of your facility.

We realize that this is a frustrating and uncertain time, and that there have been significant disruptions to all sports activities. However, our priority is protecting public health, and preventing COVID-19 cases to the best of our abilities. Thank you for your assistance in communicating this to your patrons.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jennifer Delaney".

Jennifer Delaney

Director Environmental Health

Link to NYS Interim Guidance for Sports and Recreation:

<https://www.governor.ny.gov/sites/governor.ny.gov/files/atoms/files/SportsAndRecreationMasterGuidance.pdf>

## Lauren Masset

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**From:** Delaney, PE, Jennifer <Jennifer.Delaney@erie.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 16, 2020 4:26 PM  
**To:** Lauren Masset  
**Subject:** RE: Town of West Seneca - Ice Rink Question

Yes, that is the correct guidance and you are correct it does not list ice skating or figure skating.

We have been consulting with ESD regarding these activities. We have settled on figure skating being a low-risk sport since it is primarily a single person sport that can be managed to maintain appropriate distancing. At this time, ice skating/open skate is not allowed and is not categorized as a risk level.

We are hoping for additional guidance related to winter sports to be released in the near future. Once it is released we hope to have guidelines for ice skating.

Let me know if you need anything further.

Thank you  
Jennifer

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**From:** Lauren Masset <lmasset@twyny.org>  
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**To:** Delaney, PE, Jennifer <Jennifer.Delaney@erie.gov>  
**Subject:** Town of West Seneca - Ice Rink Question

[Caution: this email is not from an Erie County employee: attachments or links may not be safe.]

Good Afternoon Mrs. Delaney,

I received your attached letter re NY Forward Guidelines for Figure Skating. Can please advise if:

1. Open Skates are allowed. If so, what risk level is this activity categorized as and can you please send the guidelines.
2. Figure Skating - I understand the letter states this is allowed. What risk level is this activity categorized as and can you please send the guidelines.

Is this the correct guidance (dated 8/15/2020) for Open Skates and/or Figure Skating? I see Ice Hockey listed but not Open Skates or Figure Skating. [https://secure-web.cisco.com/1ZZLqXD-g5RT\\_CO1BRkOlegCoMw9fU06SIImTZM\\_OGQu6lakd9un5J2HAPTOh73xW8bUOcgDt8T5J5t3kVYZVphhOxoLReRE4YuVtV](https://secure-web.cisco.com/1ZZLqXD-g5RT_CO1BRkOlegCoMw9fU06SIImTZM_OGQu6lakd9un5J2HAPTOh73xW8bUOcgDt8T5J5t3kVYZVphhOxoLReRE4YuVtV)

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Thank-you.

Best Regards,  
Lauren J. Masset  
Recreation Supervisor

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