PLEASE READ

Florida Law (Statutes sec.768.395) provides that roller skaters and spectators assume the inherent risks in the activity of roller skating and that roller skating rink operators are not liable to roller skaters or spectators for any damages or personal injury resulting from the inherent risks of roller skating.

While engaging in roller skating activity, roller skaters must:

- 1. Maintain reasonable control over his or her speed and direction of travel at all times.
- 2. Heed all posted signs and warnings.
- 3. Maintain a proper awareness to avoid other roller skaters and objects.
- 4. Accept the responsibility for knowing the range of his or her own ability to negotiate the intended direction of travel while roller skating and to skate within the limits of that ability.
- 5. Refrain from acting in a manner that may cause or contribute to his or her own personal injury or the personal injury of another person.

Operators must:

- 1. Conspicuously post in at least three areas on the premises the responsibilities of roller skaters, spectators and the duties of operators.
- 2. Maintain the stability and legibility of all signs, symbols and posted notices required by law.
- 3. Have at least one roller skating rink supervisor or manager on duty for every 200 skaters when the roller skating rink is open for business.
- 4. Maintain the skating surface in a reasonably safe condition and clean and inspect the skating surface before each skating session.
- 5. Maintain in good condition the railings, kick-boards and walls surrounding the skating surface.
- 6.Ensure that all coverings on risers are securely fastened in roller skating rinks with step-up or step-down skating surfaces.
- 7. Install and regularly inspect fire extinguishers.
- 8. Inspect emergency lights at least quarterly to ensure the lights are in proper working order.
- 9. Keep exit lights and service area lights on when skating surface lights are turned off during a skating session.
- 10. Inspect and maintain in good mechanical condition roller skating equipment that the operator leases or rent the roller skates.
- 11. Comply with all applicable skate and local safety codes.
- 12. Take reasonable action to correct a dangerous condition that is known or reasonably should have been known.

Roller Skating Rink Safety Act Florida Law Statutes Sec. 768.395