

# How to Carry Ice Skates



To safely carry ice skates, always use blade guards (soakers or hard guards) to protect the blades and prevent injury. Consider using a dedicated skate bag or backpack designed to hold skates and other essentials like soakers, towels, and potentially even a laptop. When transporting skates, ensure the blades are covered and the skates are secured to avoid damage to the skates or injury to yourself or others.

- **Blade Protection:**

Ice skate blades are sharp and can cause cuts if not handled carefully. Always use blade guards (soakers or hard guards) when not on the ice to protect the blades and prevent accidental injuries.

- **Dedicated Skate Bag:**

Using a specialized skate bag or backpack is recommended. These bags are designed to hold ice skates securely and often have compartments for other items like soakers, towels, and even protective gear.

- **Proper Packing:**

When packing your skates in a bag, ensure the blades are pointed away from other items to prevent damage. Consider placing a towel or soft material between the skates to provide extra cushioning.

- **Carrying Considerations:**

When carrying skates, avoid swinging them or using the laces to sling them over your shoulder, as this can damage the skates and potentially cause injury.

- **Air Circulation:**

After use, allow your skates to air out before storing them in a bag to prevent moisture buildup and potential rust or mold.

By following these tips, you can safely carry your ice skates and ensure they remain in good condition for your next skating session.