

## Metro Edge Figure Skating Club Nutcracker on Ice

### Costume Distribution

Costumes will be checked out to the parent of the skater in the show. We are hoping that by having each skater and parent responsible for taking care of and returning the costumes it will alleviate some of our volunteer hours and ensure your skater's costume is prepared to your liking and ready and available when you need it. In order for a costume to be issued to a skater, you must present a deposit check made to MEFSC. The checks will be held and returned when the costume and accessories are returned and in good condition. Should there be missing items or damage, the check will be cashed to help cover the re-make or repairs.

Deposit for Principal Costumes: \$100

Deposit for Group and Class Costumes: \$50

Each costume and its accessories are packaged in a garment bag. Use this bag whenever you transport your costume. Keep all parts of your costume in your bag when they not on your body. At show end, please make certain all items are back in the bag, in good condition before returning. Specific costume return procedures will be announced later. Upon receipt of your costume and all items, your deposit check will be returned as mentioned above.

***Your costume is your responsibility when in your possession. If the costume and packaging are lost or damaged you will need to cover the cost of replacement.***

#### **Upon receipt:**

- Please, remove your garment from the bag and let hang in a steamy bathroom to remove wrinkles.

- IF you need to press your costume, we prefer you **use a steamer**. If a steamer is not available you may use an iron on VERY LIGHT heat setting and use a cotton cloth between the garment and the iron. ALWAYS use a cloth between the iron and the costume. The fabrics are fragile and heat sensitive, *direct contact with an iron will quickly melt fabric and/or burn it.*

- DO NOT wash your costume.

If you find it needs some spot cleaning contact Maureen Herraghty [m\\_herraghey@att.net](mailto:m_herraghey@att.net) for the specific instructions pertaining to your costume. In most cases careful application of dry cleaning fluid will remove most soil. *Always test in a hidden area prior to cleaning.*

- These are costumes and made to fit a variety of skaters. They will not fit your child perfectly. In many cases straps will need to be loosened or tightened or sides brought in

slightly. If any alterations need to be made, please use **needle and thread and use baste stitches**, so they can easily be removed for next years skaters. Please do sew on a machine and **DO NOT** use glue.

- Do to the fact that some costumes cannot be washed, there may be a slight scent of body odor. In most cases we have tried to eliminate what we can. If you feel your costume needs further attention, you can use **POTATO based vodka in a spray mister**. You mist the area slightly, let dry and repeat. You may not be able to eliminate the odor entirely.
- Please, if there is any damage, try to repair it. We did have a few issues with skaters leaning against the zamboni door last year and there are some grease marks that may have been missed on some costumes. If you find these marks on your costume, please let me know and I can assist in removing what we can.
- Remember, these are costumes and not custom designed skating attire. Though we do our best to find a good fit for your skater and clean our stock, we do not have the ability to provide a perfect fit or flawless costume. Your skater, in their costume, will look terrific on the ice when viewed from audience.

If you have any questions, concerns or are unable to assist with repairs, please contact

Maureen Herraghty

Thank you so much for your care and cooperation. If there are any questions or concerns, please contact Maureen Herraghty at [m\\_herraghty@att.net](mailto:m_herraghty@att.net) or 314-699-5789.