



LAKES AREA HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Skate Sharpening Policy 2025-2026 Season

The following provisions apply to participation in hockey programming with Lakes Area Hockey Association ("LAHA"), which includes the Boji Mammoths.

The Lakes Area Ice Arena owns a Sparx skate sharpening machine to provide timely and local skate sharpening services for LAHA members and non-members. The purpose of this policy is to establish procedures for machine operation, outline a reasonable fee schedule to cover costs, and ensure proper financial oversight.

Operators

- Only qualified adults (18 years and older) are permitted to operate the skate sharpener.
- The Skate Sharpening Coordinator must approve individuals as qualified sharpeners. A list of approved sharpeners will be posted on the door of the skate sharpening room.
- To become qualified, an individual must receive training from either the Skate Sharpening Coordinator or another approved skate sharpener designated by the Coordinator.
- Skates needing sharpening should be placed on the counter in the skate sharpening room.
- Finished skates will be placed in a designated area clearly indicating they are ready for pickup.

Unauthorized Use

- If an unapproved person is caught using the machine, they will receive a warning and be asked to leave the sharpening room.
- A second violation will result in a one-month suspension from skate sharpening privileges for the individual and their dependents.
- A third violation will result in a three-month suspension from skate sharpening privileges for the individual and their dependents.
- Any further violations will result in a suspension from skate sharpening for the remainder of the current hockey season.

Fees

- \$5.00 per sharpening for both LAHA members and non-members.
- Free for LAHA head coaches, assistant coaches, and hockey director.
- Beginning in the 2025-2026 season, punch cards will be available for 10 sharpenings for \$45.00.

Financial Control

- A log must be maintained to track all skate sharpenings. Each skate sharpener must record the date, number of skates sharpened, and the amount received.
- Accepted payment methods include cash, check, and electronic payment via iPad.