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REGULATIONS FOR ACCESS AND USE OF THE DOMODOSSOLA MUNICIPAL SKATEPARK

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Article 1 - Object and purpose

- 1. These regulations discipline the modalities of access and use of the sports-recreational facility called SKATEPARK of the city of Domodossola, located in Piazzale dello Sport.
- 2. The skatepark has been created as a place of recreation and aggregation for young people, to encourage the practice of sports and recreational activities, to stimulate socialisation while respecting safety regulations, the intended use of the facility and mutual respect for others.

Article 2 – Access to the facility

- 1. The skatepark is intended exclusively for the practice of skateboarding, with absolute prohibition of use with any other type of sports equipment such as bicycles, rollerblades, BMX, scooters, inline skates, electric and motor vehicles.
- 2. Access to and use of the skate park are free of charge and are only permitted to persons with skateboards. Any other personal belongings (backpacks, bags, radios, etc.) must be left outside the skatepark in order not to hinder the activities of users or be a source of danger. The Municipality is not responsible for objects left unattended inside the facility.
- 3. For safety reasons, parking inside the skatepark is not permitted for: a) animals; b) spectators or in any case persons not engaged in the activity.
- 4. For security reasons, no more than 12 persons may enter the facility at the same time.
- 5. Restrictions on access to and use of the skatepark may be established for maintenance work or during events organised and/or authorised by the municipality.

Article 3 – Opening Hours

- 1. The skatepark is accessible to the public according to the schedule and timetable of the Comunicipal Sports Centre.
- 2. The opening hours may be subject to change by special decision of the municipal council.
- 3. In the case of rain, snow, ice or adverse weather conditions, the facility will not be open and therefore cannot be used.
- 4. In the event of planned events or activities, free use may be suspended.
- 5. The actual opening hours will be displayed at the facility and can be consulted on the Domodos-sola municipal website (www.comune.domodossola.vb.it).
- 6. It is absolutely forbidden to access the skatepark beyond the opening hours and in the cases mentioned in paragraph 3 above.

Article 4 – Responsibility

- 1. The skatepark is not staffed with surveillance staff. Each person accesses it on his or her own responsibility, aware of the possible risks arising from sporting/recreational activity and in any case in strict compliance with the requirements set out in these regulations and the applicable laws.
- 2. Children under 18 years of age may only enter the skatepark under the responsibility of a parent or a legal guardian: in particular, children under 8 (eight) years of age are not allowed to enter the skatepark and children under 14 (fourteen) years of age may only enter the skatepark if accompanied and supervised by an adult.
- 3. The conditions of use of the skate park are explained in detail and made known by means of appropriate information signs.
- 4. The Municipality is not responsible for accidents and/or injuries caused using the skatepark and for any accidents and/or injuries or thefts caused by improper or negligent use of the facility, nor by remaining in the facility. Any damage to the elements of the facility caused by improper, negligent and/or malicious behaviour will be charged in full to the perpetrator.



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Article 5 - Obligations of users

- 1. It is the duty of all users to keep the facility clean and tidy.
- Each user is invited to report any improper use of the skatepark or the presence of traps on the track, breakages or malfunctions to the Municipality, the Local Police Office (Piazza Mellerio, 6 polizia.municipale@comune.domodossola.vb.it - 0324 492233/251/211), the Public Works Office (Piazza Repubblica dell'Ossola, 1 - lavori.pubblici@comune.domodossola.vb.it - 0324 492214/216).
- 3. The instructions of municipal staff, authorised operators and the Local Police must be respected.

Article 6 - Accident prevention and personal safety equipment

- To prevent possible accidents, all users are obliged to wear a properly fastened protective helmet. The use of additional individual protection (knee pads, elbow pads, wrist pads, etc.) is strongly recommended for all users of the facility and is mandatory for minors. Those caught not wearing a protective helmet, or additional protection if mandatory, will be immediately removed from the skatepark. In the event of a repeat offence, the sanctions set out in Article 8 apply.
- 2. All users are obliged, before starting their activity, to carry out a thorough re-examination of the routes to verify:
 - a) the functionality of the routes themselves;
 - b) the practicability in relation to the presence of obstacles or material (e.g. earth/sand) and/or other users;
 - c) the degree of difficulty of the track in relation to one's own sporting ability.
- 3. Each user, before setting off, must carefully check that the line of use he intends to follow is clear and that there are no other users already on the track or on colliding tracks. Users who are already in motion have priority over those who have yet to depart.
- 4. If users ascertain the presence of obstructions, anomalies or damage in the skatepark, they must avoid using the track and immediately report the findings to the Municipality, Public Works Office (Piazza Repubblica dell'Ossola, 1 lavori.pubblici@comune.domodossola.vb.it 0324 492214/216).
- 5. The presence, at least initially, of an accompanying person or observer of age who can help in case of emergency, especially for underage users, is recommended.
- 6. In the event of an emergency, it is the responsibility of all users present to call the single number 112.

Article 7 - Prohibitions

- 1. It is strictly forbidden:
 - a) to enter the skatepark outside the scheduled times;
 - b) to enter the skatepark in the case of rain, snow, ice or adverse weather conditions;
 - c) to enter the skatepark by any means other than the permitted means, e.g. bicycle-tees, rollerblades, BMX, scooters, inline skates, electric and motor vehicles;
 - d) bring in other fixed or mobile equipment to perform tricks or for other reasons;
 - e) to stop on the track if not engaged in the activity and if not in possession of personal safety equipment;
 - f) stopping for prolonged periods on the elements and obstructing the paths of others;
 - g) abandoning equipment on the slope;
 - h) using the facility and personal equipment improperly;
 - i) using waxes, paints, lubricants or other similar products on the facilities;
 - j) spreading salt in case of snow or ice;
 - k) bringing in glass containers and littering with any kind of rubbish:
 - I) introducing animals;
 - m) behaving improperly towards people and things;
 - n) using hearing aids or headphones that restrict hearing;
 - o) consume alcoholic beverages or food inside the facility;
 - p) consume non-alcoholic beverages within the perimeter of the skateboard track;
 - a) smokina:
 - r) deface the facility with writing, drawings;



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- s) damage or modify the structure in any way;
- t) produce noise, disturbing noises or sounds that disturb the occupation, activity or rest of people.

Article 8 - Sanctions

- 1. Violation of the rules and prescriptions of these regulations is punished, in addition to immediate expulsion from the facility, with administrative fines ranging from €25.00 to €500.00 as provided for in Article 7-bis of Legislative Decree No. 267 of 18 August 2000, as amended, in accordance with Law No. 689 of 24 November 1981.
- 2. The administrative sanctions are applied independently of any other form of liability on the part of the offender and any jointly and severally liable parties.
- 3. The assessment, notification and settlement of administrative offences or opposition to enforcement actions are governed in general by the regulations in force.
- 4. The Local Police is responsible for ensuring that the provisions contained in these regulations are strictly observed and for repressing any facts constituting breaches thereof.
- 5. In the event of repeated violations, the user may be temporarily or permanently excluded from the facility by order of the municipality.

Article 9 - Final Rules

- 1. Access to the skatepark constitutes acceptance, by conclusive act, of the provisions contained in these regulations.
- 2. For anything not expressly referred to in these regulations reference is made to the regulations in force.
- 3. These regulations will be displayed in a clearly visible way at the entrance to the facility with multilingual information signs (Italian, English, German and French) and can be consulted on the Domodossola municipal website.