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Leave a legacy to Speed Skating Canada

A legacy gift (also called planned giving) is a way to support a cause you care about through your estate plans—most commonly by leaving a charitable gift in your Will (a “bequest”) that takes effect after your lifetime. By including Speed Skating Canada in your plans, you can help future generations of Canadian athletes and the speed skating community thrive—on and off the ice.

Why consider a legacy gift

- Create a lasting impact on Canadian sport and community.
- Make a meaningful gift without affecting your finances today.
- Support the future of speed skating in Canada in a way that aligns with your values.
- Potentially provide tax benefits to your estate (please consult your professional advisors).

What your gift can support

Your legacy gift can be directed to the area of greatest need, or toward a priority that matters to you, such as:

- athlete development pathways (community to podium)
- coaching and technical leadership
- safe sport and athlete wellbeing initiatives
- grassroots growth and participation
- equipment, innovation, and performance services
- national team programming and major event preparation

If you would like your gift to be designated for a specific purpose, we encourage a conversation to ensure your wishes can be carried out as intended over time (and to build in appropriate flexibility, where needed).

Common ways to leave a legacy

- A gift in your Will (bequest)
This is the most common form of legacy giving. You can leave:
 - a specific amount (e.g., \$10,000)
 - a percentage of your estate
 - the residue (what remains after other gifts and expenses)
- Name Speed Skating Canada as a beneficiary
You may be able to name Speed Skating Canada as a beneficiary of certain assets (please consult your professional advisors).
- Other planned gifts
Some donors explore gifts of securities or insurance as part of an overall plan. Your advisors can help determine what fits best for your situation.

Suggested wording for your Will

Below are examples you can share with your lawyer/notary. This is general information, not legal advice – your professional advisor should confirm the best wording for your circumstances.

Legal Name and Charitable Registration Number

- SPEED SKATING CANADA – PATINAGE DE VITESSE CANADA
- Charitable Registration Number: 129990446RR0001

A) Residual gift (share of the residue)

- “I give to SPEED SKATING CANADA – PATINAGE DE VITESSE CANADA (Charitable Registration Number: 129990446RR0001) ___ % of the residue of my estate to be used for its general charitable purposes.”

B) Specific gift (fixed amount)

- “I give to SPEED SKATING CANADA – PATINAGE DE VITESSE CANADA (Charitable Registration Number: 129990446RR0001) the sum of \$_____ to be used for its general charitable purposes.”

C) Designated gift (for a specific purpose)

- “I give to SPEED SKATING CANADA – PATINAGE DE VITESSE CANADA (Charitable Registration Number: 129990446RR0001) the sum of \$_____ to be used for [your chosen purpose].”

Optional flexibility language for designated gifts (recommended)

- “If, in the opinion of the Board of Directors of Speed Skating Canada – Patinage de vitesse Canada, it becomes impossible, impractical, or unnecessary to use this gift for the stated purpose, the Board may use the gift for a purpose that most closely aligns with my intent.”

D) Contingent gift (only if others predecease you)

- “In the event that [name] does not survive me, I give to SPEED SKATING CANADA – PATINAGE DE VITESSE CANADA (Charitable Registration Number: 129990446RR0001) the sum of \$_____ for its general charitable purposes.”

Letting Speed Skating Canada know (optional, but helpful)

- If you choose to include Speed Skating Canada in your plans, we would be honoured to thank you and (if you wish) recognize your generosity. Letting us know also helps ensure we understand and can respect your intentions. All inquiries are confidential and without obligation, and you may choose to remain anonymous.

Contact

To discuss legacy giving, share your wishes, or request sample wording to bring to your lawyer/notary, please contact:

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