



# Kamloops Skating Club

## Skate Blade Care

### Soft Guards vs. Hard Guards

## HARD GUARDS:

They come in various styles. Their purpose is to protect the blade and keep it sharp between the change room and the ice surface or when needing to walk across blade damaging surfaces like concrete. **Do not** store skate blades in these guards, it will cause blade rusting.



## SOFT GUARDS:

Soft guards are used to soak up any additional moisture left after skaters wipe down their skates with a cloth or shammy, to help the skates not rust. They as well protect the skate blade from any knocks they receive when being stored. They are made of highly absorbent material, which is why they are sometimes called Soakers.

