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Orlando Psycho City Derby Girls Accepted as Women's Flat Track Derby Association Apprentice

ORLANDO, FLORIDA — The Women's Flat Track Derby Association (WFTDA) is proud to announce today that **Orlando Psycho City Derby Girls** have been accepted as an "Apprentice" affiliate of the WFTDA, the governing body for women's amateur flat track roller derby.

"Acceptance in the WFTDA Apprentice Program is an exciting first step to bringing international competitive roller derby to Orlando. Our league has worked hard to earn acceptance into the program and we look forward to our future with the WFTDA."

As an Apprentice affiliate of the WFTDA, **Orlando Psycho City Derby Girls** joins the ranks of more than 300 all-female, skater-owned-and-operated leagues worldwide that have united to lead the growing sport of women's flat track roller derby.

WFTDA apprentice leagues are matched with veteran member leagues who guide them in the processes and requirements necessary to become a full member of the Association. WFTDA Apprentice leagues are considered "pre-members" of the WFTDA and have access to many of the resources and benefits of full WFTDA membership.

The **Orlando Psycho City Derby Girls** travel team the 'Straight Jackettes' will be playing a full 2016 schedule playing against two WFTDA teams. To see the full schedule, visit orlandoderbygirls.com or our [Facebook page](#)

About the WFTDA

The Women's Flat Track Derby Association is the governing body for women's flat-track roller derby, and a membership organization for the leagues to collaborate and network. The organization created and maintained the first standardized ruleset for the flat-track game, now in its fourth edition. The WFTDA also serves as the sanctioning body for games, hosts tournaments, sets safety standards and provides insurance to athletes and leagues. There are currently 355 WFTDA member leagues and more than 71 apprentice leagues worldwide.

About Orlando Psycho City Derby Girls

Orlando Psycho City Derby Girls, Inc. ("OPCDG") is a skater-run, skater-operated women's flat track roller derby league based out of the Orlando, Florida area, which adheres to the Women's Flat Track Derby Association ruleset. We are a non-profit Florida corporation and a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt entity. The Members of our league are strong, motivated people who train hard and work hard. Our mission is to bring about positive change within ourselves and within our community. Our objectives as a league are:

- A. Encouraging and fostering health, athleticism, self-confidence, and self-esteem;
- B. Cultivating social intercourse, fellowship, and teamwork among Members;
- C. Promoting interest and involvement in the sport of roller derby, and growing the sport by sharing it with the next generation of derby skaters and fans; and
- D. Actively participating in and contributing to the local community, particularly through involvement with other nonprofit community organizations.