



**MIHWA
Policy Guidebook for MIHWA World
Events**

MIHWA Masters, Veterans and
Legends
Inline Hockey World Association

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Introduction: Our Mission, Our Vision, MIHWA Inline with Hockey!

- MIHWA (Masters Inline Hockey World Association) is the International Sports Organisation responsible for Masters, Veterans and Legends Inline Hockey events. Our main role includes recognizing, assisting and representing over 20 Member Federations across the globe, to participate in international competition.
- Centrally, MIHWA is responsible for hosting an annual international competition, called:
- THE MASTERS, VETERANS and LEGENDS INLINE HOCKEY WORLD CUP.
- We are also directly involved in the development and promotion of Inline Hockey at all levels worldwide. MIHWA aims to promote the visibility and the development of Inline Hockey through our world events, representing a showcase for this sport, and its wider values and good sporting conduct.
- This event shall be staged every year, and also may include (in addition to competitions) meetings, seminars for coaches and delegates, conferences, media productions and other related performances.

Purpose of this Guidebook

- This document sets out to clarify the specific responsibilities and expectations for each participant in MIHWA sanctioned events globally.
- It is a reference for participants, players, organisers, committee members, National Federations and host organisations.
- This document is reviewed annually and agreed by quorum following review and feedback from MIHWA Annual General Meeting.
- The document is a collaborative guide, and can be interpreted flexibly by agreement with all parties where the intention is to facilitate the successful and sustainable operation of MIHWA events.
- These concepts, as well as the way the event is prepared and operated, shall be taken into consideration by the potential Host Organisation, highlighting the following elements:
- Sense of unity among the different categories and national federations, in the mutual interest of promoting and showcasing the sport of Inline Hockey at all levels
- Promotion of the Host City and its Tourism Industry.
- Compliance with MIHWA and World Skate Statutes and By Laws, Code of Conduct and Code of Ethics, IOC Anti-Doping Rules, WADA Code and World Skate Anti-Doping Rules and the Rules of the named Technical Commissions.

The Benefits of the MIHWA World Cup in your own home!

- With between 15-20 participating nations, 7 days of world-class competition, over 120 games, awards, opening and closing ceremonies, the MIHWA World Cup is a Top-level sports festival that can rely on a significant number of visitors, many hundreds of athletes, coaches, delegates and a crowd of supporters and aficionados, who will experience the exciting atmosphere of a great celebration of sports and entertainment with a global media coverage.
- Hosts can expect daily visitors, revenues from sponsors, commissions, rental of stands and, in the subsequent years, from the ensuing growth of tourism, an opportunity to advertise and launch new products of new companies, not necessarily sports related, creation of new partnerships and new jobs related to tourism, and accessing funding for renovation of existing facilities, new construction construction or enhancement of infrastructure, and even opportunities in the organization of other sporting events in the future.
- MIHWA entrusts the organization of the World Cup to National Federations, Municipalities or Event Organization Companies of the Host City. It is suggested that the most efficient and reliable method for realising the event, and to facilitate the signing of a contract with MIHWA, that stakeholders shall establish a Local
- Organizing Committee (LOC). This LOC could include: Members or representatives of National Government or Federal Sports Bodies, local municipal government, Provincial Political Authorities, local sports clubs and organisations, such as schools, universities or other institutions with an interest or specialisation in Sports and events management.
- The Candidate organisation shall comply with the provisions of this Bidding Application and with MIHWA Guidelines.
- MIHWA retains a final oversight into all of the above, in order to ensure maintenance of MIHWA values and integrity.

Expectations and Responsibilities: MIHWA will...

- Sanction and award the official World Masters, Veterans and Legends Inline Hockey WORLD CUP.
- Register and validate national organisations in the competition, and all players and staff therein.
- Organise a safe and competitive and entertaining tournament to determine the champions in all divisions, including communicating the technical details required for all aspects of competition
- Provide qualified suitable referees to officiate the games, according to the specific rules and regulations of our game.
- Organise an opening ceremony, closing ceremony, all awards, prizes, medals for the event annually.
- Provide comprehensive coverage of the event, including collating and display and dissemination of all relevant game data, scheduling, live video broadcast of every game. Additional options such as player interviews, news stories and other relevant information for all participants and fans will be produced, including year round access to information online through the official MIHWA website, and other social media.
- Monitor and reinforce the safe and ethical conduct of the games in accordance with MIHWA values.
- Maintain a transparent, accountable and effective voluntary sports governing body, with an official constitution and representation.
- Promote Inline Hockey and good sporting conduct through our example and partnerships.

WORLD CUP Host organisation: The HOST will...

- Provide a suitable venue to accommodate an International elite standard Inline Hockey Event, including the appropriate surface, locker rooms, equipment, storage and health and safety logistics, administrative and meeting areas, social areas and media facilities (i.e. suitable broadband connections, secure areas with power and access to run equipment).
- Communicate effectively with MIHWA, participants and stakeholders all relevant information relating to the local logistical conditions, including the host venue, local accommodation, transportation, local municipal and regional authority and local community requirements.
- Provide and ensure availability of local medical services for the duration of the games.
- Organise transportation from venue to local transport hubs, and efficient travel information for participants
- Provide information about transportation from accommodation to the venue as appropriate for players and equipment and staff.
- Access local volunteers to help support the event.
- Advertise and promote the event locally for spectators and fans, and in partnership with MIHWA, online and on social media.
- Offer information relating to local tourism and travel.
- Retain full rights from any revenue derived from the following: Ticketing, Local, Regional or National funding, sponsorship as organised by the host organisation, catering or other concessions made available during the games. Other local financial arrangements subject to accord with MIHWA values.

National Federation Managers (Chef de Mission): Teams will...

- Ensure you have a team of players who meet the eligibility and nationality requirements for participation at this level Inline Hockey event, and are registered to play for your National Federation.
- Provide to MIHWA in a timely manner, all relevant application, accreditation and other documentation and fees prior to participation in each competition.
- Provide all the regulation kit, equipment and consumable materials required for your team to play, including suitable Home and Away uniforms, with unique names and numbers (Jerseys), and other such material you may require for a week of intense sporting activity.
- Organise suitable accommodation that allows for the teams effective participation in the event, in partnership with the host organisation, local authorities and MIHWA.
- Transportation from your home to the venue, in partnership with the host organisation.
- Support the host organisation and MIHWA in promoting the event through various activities, such as broadcasting, ceremonial appearances, journalism and other media and marketing promotions.
- At all times be responsible for the conduct of all staff and players, in accordance with MIHWA and good sporting conduct and values.