

NZIHF Policy on Tours, Exhibition Games & Tournaments

- 1. Out-of-country or overseas teams must be a registered member of their respective Ice Hockey Federation and the International Ice Hockey Federation.
- 2. NZIHF sanctioning of an international tour is conditional on a Letter of Sanction from the visiting team's Association and Federation.
- 3. NZIHF Member Associations will first approve the tour and the games involved, and then submit a proposal to the NZIHF President requesting NZIHF sanction.
- 4. NZIHF Member Associations must produce and lodge a Letter of Invitation for the visiting team with the NZIHF Office and obtain a Letter of Sanction from the NZIHF.
- 5. Submissions for NZIHF sanction of an international tour must be submitted to the NZIHF President and include the following:
 - a. A detailed schedule outlining teams, dates and locations of proposed games;
 - b. Letter of Sanction from the visiting team's Association and Federation; and
 - c. A copy of the team's Insurance Policy.
- 6. Submissions for official sanctioning must be received by the NZIHF President no later than 60 days to the commencement of the first game of the tour. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in an automatic "no sanction" of the tour.
- 7. The NZIHF will not sanction any tour involving a team that does not have the approval of its Federation or a team that is not a member of its Federation.
- 8. In the case of tours, which involve more than one (1) Member Association, all member associations must approve the tour and its conditions and then submit a combined proposal to the NZIHF President for official sanction.
- 9. The visiting team must submit proof of primary medical coverage and liability insurance, which will be approved at the sole discretion of the NZIHF Board.
- 10. Referees and Linespersons holding NZIHF certification shall only officiate in NZIHF sanctioned games.
- 11. All sanctioned games or tournaments will be played under Official International Ice Hockey Federation Rules.
- 12. For each International tournament there shall be a minimum sanction fee of \$150.00 plus \$60.00 per team for each team outside New Zealand. There are no applicable fees for exhibition games. These fees may be waived at the discretion of the President NZIHF.
- 13. A representative of the visiting Federation must also travel with the visiting team at all times and act as its official spokesperson, team leader and team contact. The visiting Federation

must submit the name of this representative to the NZIHF prior to the commencement of the tour.

- 14. The NZIHF, it's Member Associations, clubs or teams will not be responsible for remitting any fees, gate receipts or other funds, to visiting International Ice Hockey Federation member Federation teams and its organisers unless so approved by NZIHF.
- 15. NZIHF Member Associations, clubs, teams, players, coaches and officials who participate in the activities of international tours not sanctioned by the NZIHF, do so independent of the NZIHF and its Member Associations, and without access to benefits of the NZIHF National Insurance Scheme and could be subject to suspension or other disciplinary measures as determined by the Association in which they are registered, or the NZIHF, in the case of an Association.
- 16. The NZIHF Board, in its sole and unfettered discretion, may refuse application for sanctioning of international tours for any reason it deems detrimental to NZIHF, its Member Associations or participants involved, and its decision in this regard shall be final and binding.