



# Event Sanction Policy

This policy is in relation to any inline hockey event organised in Ireland outside of normal club training, Inline Hockey Ireland (IHI) competitions, national team training and any other events organised by IHI. For an event to be covered under Inline Hockey Ireland's public liability it must be sanctioned by the Executive Committee.

## Who can apply for sanctioning?

- Any member club of Inline Hockey Ireland
- Any individual member of Inline Hockey Ireland

## What types of events require sanctioning?

- Tournaments
- Friendly games
- Junior blitz days
- Training camps
- Promotional events

## What types of events do not require sanctioning?

- Club training sessions provided they are at a venue with a completed risk assessment and all participants are registered with Inline Hockey Ireland and of relevant age.
- Open scrimmage / pickup sessions provided they are at a venue with a completed risk assessment and all participants are registered with Inline Hockey Ireland and of relevant age.

## What are the benefits of sanctioning?

- The event is covered under Inline Hockey Ireland's public liability which includes coverage for registered clubs and members.
- Publish the event in IHI's list of events.
- Promote the event if applicable.
- Assist in assigning appropriately qualified and experienced officials.
- Other event support as requested.

## What are the conditions to an event being sanctioned?

- Using a venue approved for that level of inline hockey or submitting a venue risk assessment for approval.
- Event carried out within the rules of inline hockey and any other relevant policies of Inline Hockey Ireland.



- Adjustment to gameplay and scoring rules will be allowed provided safety of participants is not compromised.
- That the event is carried out in line with Inline Hockey Ireland's objects and not be detrimental to Inline Hockey Ireland as an organisation or any of its events.
- All participants must be registered with Inline Hockey Ireland except for any international participants that normally reside outside of Ireland.
  - Inline Hockey Ireland can offer event specific membership at a lesser price if there are participants that require it. This type of membership will apply to the specific event only.
- If requiring officials for an event these must be suitably qualified and approved by Inline Hockey Ireland.
- If a sanctioned event fails to comply with this policy or any other relevant policy the event organiser will be referred for disciplinary action.

### **What is the sanctioning process?**

1. Request sanctioning using this form (recommend doing this at least 21 days in advance):  
<https://forms.gle/voGZEdj7FJFYMy2J7>
2. Inline Hockey Ireland to reply within 7 days. Further questions may be asked.
3. Inline Hockey Ireland to formally approve or reject sanctioning within 21 days of request.
4. If required Inline Hockey Ireland will create event specific membership option(s) and assist in the organisation of officials.
5. Inline Hockey Ireland will publish the event in its list of events.
6. The event goes ahead.
7. Any significant items must be reported to Inline Hockey Ireland to include but not limited to:
  - a. Injuries
  - b. Damage
  - c. Discipline

### **What is the cost of event sanctioning?**

- This is free to member clubs and individual members of Inline Hockey Ireland provided the event is operated in accordance with this policy and any other relevant policy.
- The Executive Committee reserves the right to request a fee if deemed applicable.

### **Is there a limit to the number of events that can be sanctioned in a year?**

- There is no formal limit, however the Executive Committee reserves the right to assess sanctioning multiple events to the same organisers to ensure events don't conflict with IHI's own events.



## Can an event proceed without sanctioning?

- Yes
  - The event will not be covered under Inline Hockey Ireland's public liability.
  - Participants must be informed by the organiser that the event is not sanctioned by Inline Hockey Ireland.
  - The event shall bear no branding of Inline Hockey Ireland this includes in the attire of any officials.