

Global Presence: Recruitment and Retention

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- **IIHF World Girls' Ice Hockey Weekend (WGIHW)** is the world-wide IIHF initiative that gives global opportunity for girls to try out hockey as a new sport
- **IIHF Global Girls Game** is IIHF initiative for promotion and celebration of female ice hockey world-wide



IIHF WGIHW and GGG

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WGIHW - History

World Girls' Ice Hockey Weekend (WGIHW) started in 2011.

The event is an opportunity all around the globe for girls to try out ice hockey as a new sport.

The goal is for the participants to:

- be introduced to the basic ice hockey skills in a positive, fun and safe environment;
- learn about fair play, sportmanship and teamwork;
- learn about opportunities in ice hockey in the own communities;
- meet new friends and fall in love with the sport of ice hockey.



WGIHW – Who can organize an event?

MNAs as well as regional organizations and clubs are encouraged to organize events.

The role of the organizer is to:

- advertise the event strongly in their own community to attract as much attention and interest as possible;
- organize ice time for the event, provide pucks, sticks, skates, especially if ice hockey is not an established sport in their country/region; participants need to bring their own protective equipment;
- provide coaches and instructors to run the sessions as well as a safe environment with first aid professionals;
- send information and photos/videos of the event to the IHF either directly or through their MNA.





WGIHW – The weekend

Hosts are encouraged to have their event on the official WGIHW weekend as the IIHF concentrates its coverage to that period but if only different dates are possible, that is NOT a problem at all.

The goal is to host as many events each year as possible so more and more girls are exposed to the sport of ice hockey.

During the 2023 WGIHW weekend 40 countries participated in the program and over 200 events took place.

The next edition will take place in October 2024.





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GGG - History

Global Girls' Game (GGG) started in the 2015-2016 season.

This weekend-long game is played between Team Blue and Team White and the results from each country are added up into the global score.



The global
girls' game





GGG – The games

Games may be played between youth teams, senior teams, national teams, even teams with mixed-aged lines. In each game one team must be assigned Team Blue and the other Team White.

Countries may host more than one game over the day/weekend but one must be assigned as the official GGG entry game.

The score and some information/photos of the games must be reported immediately to the IIHF office so the global score is always up to date.



GGG – Team Blue vs. Team White

- 2015-2016 – Team Blue 106-83 Team White (29 games)
- 2016-2017 – Team Blue 135-128 Team White (38 games)
- 2017-2018 – Team Blue 134-129 Team White (37 games)
- 2018-2019 – Team Blue 137-135 Team White (40 games)
- 2019-2020 – Team Blue 127-111 Team White (37 games)
- 2020-2021 – no event was organized
- 2021-2022 – Team Blue 177-182 Team White (37 games)
- 2022-2023 – Team Blue 226-216 Team White (42 games)

The 2023-2024 edition will take place February 16-18, 2024.

