



CIHL 2007-2008 SEASON OUTLINE

Welcome to the 5th Season of the Chinese Taipei Ice Hockey League!

The 2007 - 2008 season will see an expansion to either 8 or 10 teams with the addition of new Chinese and ex-pat players (please register as soon as possible).

REGISTRATION:

Please register by using the Registration Form. All players must register via email and pay their registration fee at their first pre-season ice session in order to be drafted.

PRE-SEASON ICE SESSIONS:

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| 1. Sept. 16th (Sun) 8pm | 5. Oct. 4th (Thu) 9:30pm |
| 2. Sept. 16th (Sun) 10pm | 6. Oct. 11th (Thu) 9:30pm |
| 3. Sept. 20th (Thu) 9:30pm | 7. Oct 14th (Sun) 8pm |
| 4. Sept. 27th (Thu) 9:30pm | 8. Oct 14th (Sun) 10pm |

These practice sessions are open for all players who intend on playing in the new season. Confirmation of your intention to play in the league requires filing a Registration Form and payment of your Registration Fee BEFORE you step on the ice. Rookies can attend any session but they MUST attend at least 1 session. Team Leaders will be evaluating your ability before the draft (so please register early so that we can manage the numbers of players coming out). Priority will be given to rookies requiring a session to fulfill their quota. Rookies will be given special jerseys at the first session they attend, which they will wear to every pre-season session. This jersey must be returned at the rookie's first regular-season game.

ALL players can register for pre-season ice session/s on the registration form, please send these in a.s.a.p. so we can manage player attendance to these sessions. Once a player has noted their intent to play in one of these sessions, they will be charged for it.

Pre-Season Ice Sessions will be charged at \$500nt per session.

Thursday Night practice ice will run for the duration of the 07 -08 season. The cost is \$600 a night or \$500 if you pay for 4 consecutive sessions.

TEAMS:

We have confirmed teams out of Kaoshiung, Chaiyi, Taichung and 5 x Taipei based teams. Depending on the number of players we may add another two teams to ensure players have adequate ice time and include all interested players

THE DRAFT, October 14th:

With the exception of players from Taichung and further south, players will be chosen by the CIHL's team-leaders in TWO separate open drafts. One draft will be for local/domestic players, and the second, for players originating from outside of Taiwan.

Once their team is chosen, Team-leaders can make trades up until the first game of the regular season. These trades must be for equal numbers of players (1 for 1, 2 for 2 etc.) and all parties must agree to the deal (including the CIHL board). The main reason for these trades is to create the opportunity for friends to play together. Team leaders are encouraged to allow trades requested by players that will not clearly disadvantage their team.

The Draft is tentatively scheduled to begin at 9pm on the above date, but Team leaders may request that the start time be delayed if they wish to get a longer look at the players on the ice at the time.

GAMES:

2-5 CIHL games a week will be played from October 20th until June 2008. These games will be on Saturday and Sunday nights starting at 9:30pm and 8 pm respectively.



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FEES:

- Registration Fee: \$1,000 (due at first pre-season ice session)
- League Fees: **\$6,000** (regular season games, play –offs)
- Practice Ice \$1,000 (2 regular season practice sessions)
- **TOTAL \$8,000nt**
- Uniform Deposits: **\$2,000nt** (fully refundable upon the return of the uniform)

TEAM JOB NIGHTS/REBATES:

To assist with the smooth operation of the league, teams must assist (approx 5 nights) with running the league (to be nights they do not play). Each night they will run 2 or 3 games, basic jobs include: ensuring public safety, promotion of the league, hanging of banners, score board, score sheet, PA, music, game write ups etc. Provided individual teams complete these tasks satisfactorily, each player will receive a \$1,000 rebate at the season's end.

STUDENT PAYMENT PLAN:

We offer a payment plan for students, please submit applications to Bob Ford. Costs are spread over the first half of the season. Players must have a student card to apply.

SKATING UNION

The Skating Union is the sanctioning body and original supporter of the CIHL, they have sponsored the League for uniforms, referees expenses and pucks since 2004. This support is continuing this season and extends to a 30% discount on ice fees at Taipei Arena for this season.

CIHL Club Division

The CIHL will this season introduce a Club Division for developing local players/hockey clubs. It will consist of 6 teams and will run side by side with the International Division

CIHL International to Sponsor Local Development:

In an effort to assist in the development of local players and offer some financial support to players playing in both leagues the CIHL International Division will sponsor top local talent – up to a maximum of 32/40 players – dependent on their ability and experience.

Local players, who are selected in the first or second round of the CIHL International domestic draft, will have 100% their Club Division ICE FEES paid for. Players picked in the third or fourth rounds, will have 50% of their ICE FEES paid. The CIHL International Division is proud to be part of this innovative sponsorship program which will ensure the positive development of ice hockey in Taiwan. In order to remain eligible for this sponsorship, selected local players must attend a minimum of 80% of their CIHL International games in the 2007-2008 season.

GOALIES:

Each team may draft one goalie. If the number of registered goalies exceeds the number of teams a substitute system will be arranged which will take in to consideration the number of non-drafted goalies and their skill levels.

PLAYOFF FORMAT:

The bottom two teams at the conclusion of the regular season will be eliminated from the playoffs.

- In an eight team league, 6 will play 3, 5 play 4, and 1 and 2 receive byes.
- In a ten team league, 8 plays 1, 7 plays 2, etc.

The finals of the playoffs will be best two out three to be played on the Friday, Saturday, and Sunday night of the final weekend.

TEAM SPONSORS:

We are seeking team sponsors for every team, the cost of which is \$25,000 per team. This gives the sponsor the right to; logo the team uniform, provide bench banners, advertise in CIHL print material and



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on our website, and of course the prestige of being involved in the CIHL and helping us to promote Ice Hockey in Taiwan. \$10,000 of team sponsorship income goes directly to the team.

YOUR CIHL:

Please take a few minutes to familiarize yourself with the people running the CIHL.

CIHL Board of Directors:

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