

At Bauer Nike Hockey we pride ourselves in developing equipment to fit + protect ice hockey players at every level of the game. Whether you're at your first 'learn to play' programme, development league or you're representing your country at 'World Championships' we design, develop + manufacture equipment that will help you become the best ice hockey player you can possibly be.

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The world's Fastest Team Sport

come play



Ice Hockey in Australia

Ice hockey is exciting and often referred to as the world's fastest team sport. If you have seen the game played at the Winter Olympics or at the professional level, you must marvel at the speed of the play and skill of the players.

We usually think of North America or Europe when ice hockey is mentioned. However, it may surprise you to learn that ice hockey was first played in Australia way back in 1904 in Adelaide and has been active ever since.

Fun for the Whole Family

At present there are about 3000 registered players and officials in Australia. Programs are available for those who are learning to skate as well as for those experienced players who are aiming to represent Australia at international tournaments overseas. The sport caters for both males and females in its development programs as well as at the elite levels.

Up to the age of 14, girls and boys play "no body-checking" hockey and then elect to play in either full contact or no body-checking competition up to the age of 18. From the age of 18, females continue to enjoy a closely contested no body-checking game and aspire to their own National and World Championships or Winter Olympics.

Safe & Healthy Activity

The sport has an enviable safety record as all players wear protective equipment and accredited coaches and game officials supervise the players. The officials are required to attend regular upgrade courses to maintain their proficiency and the governing body of the sport in each State complies with all government requirements. The pace of the game encourages players to maintain a high level of fitness and live a healthy lifestyle.

Teamwork and Team spirit

Ice Hockey activities within the perimeter of an Ice Rink create many opportunities to forge new friendships for both players and parents. In Australia, as a relatively small and skilful sport, Ice Hockey offers a unique opportunity for young Australians to stand out from the crowd. Every player has a realistic, sporting chance that one day they will represent their State at a National Tournament, play in the National League, or be a member of Team Australia at the World Championship or Winter Olympics.

You can play at any level from beginners to the Mighty Roos...

Intake Program

Learn to skate sessions and courses are available at all rinks to get you up and running on the ice

Learn to play Program

Learn to Play is an Ice Hockey Australia Development Program designed to introduce interested players and parents to the fundamentals of ice hockey and the skills required to participate in and enjoy the sport.

State Association Development Leagues

State Association organised and administered "House Leagues" designed to accommodate participants who have graduated from the Ice Hockey Australia's Learn to Play Program.

State Association Club Teams

State Association organised and administered leagues comprised of age category teams from member clubs. Players who have graduated from the Development League are assigned to a club (of their choice) to further their playing career.

State Association Championships

Annual State Championships organised and administered by each state for every age category. Participants are from the State's club teams.

Ice Hockey Australia National Championships

Annual Ice Hockey Australia National Championships for every age category are hosted by the member states on a rotating basis. Representative players from each member State are in attendance.

Australian Ice Hockey League (AIHL)

An Ice Hockey Australia sanctioned national senior men's league currently comprising of six teams from the Australian Capital Territory, New South Wales, South Australia and Victoria.

Team Australia

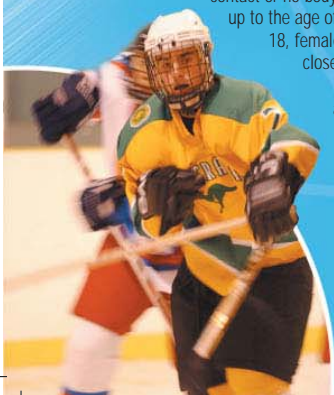
Ice Hockey Australia participates in four International Ice Hockey Federation World Championships - Open Senior Women (National Senior Womens Team), Open Senior Men (National Senior Mens Team), Under 20 (National Junior Team) and Under 18 (National Youth Team).

The Mighty Roos

Senior men nominated to the Ice Hockey Australia "Mighty Roos" Elite Team for competition abroad and against visiting international teams.

International Competition

There are various competitions that take place against visiting international teams from other International Ice Hockey Federation member countries. Occasionally, National, State and Club teams of varied age categories also travel abroad to participate in international tournaments and friendship games.



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