GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT SWEDISH ICE HOCKEY

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General information

The Swedish Ice Hockey Association (SIHA) was established November 17 1922. The SIHA became a member in The International Ice Hockey Federation in 1920. The reason why we became a member in IIHF so early is that SIHA from the beginning was a part of The Swedish Football Association.

Eight World Championship Gold Medals: 1953, 1957, 1962, 1987, 1991, 1992, 1998, 2006.

Two Olympic Game Gold Medals: 1994, 2006

One Junior World Championship Gold Medal: 1981

Ten Junior European Championship Gold Medals: 1972, 1974,

1977, 1982, 1985, 1987, 1990, 1993, 1994, 1998

One Women European Championship Gold Medal: 1996 Two Inline World Championship Gold Medals: 2002, 2005

There are 644 ice hockey clubs and 2 868 teams in Swedish ice hockey.

There are 65 739 licensed players. 4 213 are veterans, 10 318 are senior players over 20 years old, 47 810 are junior players younger than 20 years old, 3 398 are female players, 1 846 referees, 1 825 male referees and 21 female referees.

Inline hockey is a part of the SIHA and there are 2 800 licensed players who play inline hockey.

Sweden has 307 indoor arenas and 144 outdoor rinks. The first modern indoor arena, Rosenlundshallen in Jönköping, was built in 1958.

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Ice hockey is played nation wide in the following levels: Elite League, HockeyAllsvenskan, League I, League II, League III, League IV, League V, Veteran Ice Hockey, Women Ice Hockey, Junior under 20, Junior under 18, Junior under 17, Junior under 16, Junior under 15, Junior under 14, Junior under 13, Junior under 12, Junior under 11, Junior under 10, Girl league and School league.

We take part in international ice hockey tournaments with our seven national ice hockey teams: Team Sweden, Women's National Team, Team U20, Team U19, Team U18, Team U17, Team U16 and the national inline team.