



Milan International College Ice Hockey Tournament 2005



Dear Team Manager,

You and your team are kindly invited to attend the Milan International College Ice Hockey 2005 tournament that will take place in Milan, Italy from April 30th to May 1st, 2005.

The tournament is at an amateur level, and mainly aimed at teams linked to Universities worldwide, although the Organisation Committee will evaluate all requests. Mixed teams including female players are welcome.

The CUS Milano Hockey (<http://www.cusmilano.it/hockey>) will be the host for the competition and teams can choose to stay at the Milan Youth Hostel for a low fee (see more info below).

We are very excited to have you and your team participating in this annual tournament. We are expecting 8 teams in 2 divisions from many different countries, including United Kingdom, Switzerland, Austria, Germany, France and Italy.

The team entrance fee will be 350€. Please see below for details on the rules, but be assured that it is our main goal to ensure a safe and fun tournament for everyone.

Due to the numerous requests, participants will be accepted on a "first come, first serve" basis. Registrations will be considered complete upon the payment of 175€ in advance. Each team must pay the residual fee before the start of its first match. Please make all payments through money orders in favour of:

FABRIZIO ZANCO (treasurer of CUS Milano Hockey)
VIA GAROFALO, 22
20133 - MILANO
Banca Popolare di Milano
Agenzia di Milano n° 0599
IBAN: IT67 R 05584 01749 000000084341
BIC: BPMIITM1599
Please specify the name of your team and "Registration fee for Tournament May 2005"

The final deadline for registration is March 31 2005.

We are working hard to open a web site dedicated to the tournament info as well as pictures and results of past editions, stay tuned!

I look forward to meeting you and all your players upon your arrival.

Kind Regards,

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Date: April 30th –May 1st 2005

Venue: PalaSesto – P.zza 1 Maggio, 20090 Sesto San Giovanni (Milano) (15 min. by underground from Milan Central Station, "Sesto FS" stop of underground line #1); www.palasesto.com

Qualifying Round: Saturday from 08:30 until 22:00

Final Round: Sunday from 09:00 until 14:00 (closing ceremony from 14:30 until 15:30)

Rules:

- 8 teams
- two qualifying rounds: each team will play against each other team of the same division, yielding two team ranks
- final round: the two last teams of each round will play against each other for places from 8th to 5th. The first of each round will play against the second of the other to determine who plays the finals for 3rd-4th place and 1st-2nd place.
- each game will last 20+20 minutes, timing will not be stopped except in case of accidents.
- 5 minutes will be allowed for warm-up before each game; ice will be cleaned every second game.
- the full IIHF rule-set will apply to the matches, with the following exceptions:

1. each >2' foul will cause suspension of the player for the rest of the game AND a penalty shot for the offended team
2. physical charges and slap shots are allowed, although at the beginning of each match the captains of the two teams can agree to forbid charges; in this case, each physical contact will be sanctioned by a 2' penalty
3. each draw game will be resolved by 3 penalty shots per side, with the exception of the final, where a draw will be followed by a 10' overtime with four movement players in each team, and then, eventually, by 5 penalty shots per side
4. in the qualifying round, each match will give 3 points to the team winning during the regular game periods, 2 points in case of victory after penalty shots, 1 point in case of defeat after penalty shots and 0 points in case of regular defeat
5. an official match schedule will be sent to each team a few days before the event; in case one team is more than 5' late at the beginning of a match, the match will be cancelled, and registered with a score of 5-0
6. if two or more teams end the qualifying round with the same points, ranking will be decided on (in order): goal difference, direct match result, number of goals scored, number of penalties
7. any game and tournament related controversy will be decided upon by the referee commission

Side Events:

Big Ice Hockey party on Saturday Night, with live music and plentiful food and drinks. The party will be held directly at the ice rink, thus it will be possible to follow the last games of the day while starting to warm up with drinks and appetizers.

Suggested Lodging:

In order to allow everybody to move freely around the city, players will be able to drop their equipment bags at the ice rink on Friday evening, where they will be put into a locked room. Please noticed though that bags of all teams will be placed together, and that the organization takes no responsibility for thefts and lost items.

For a cheap stay check out the Milan Youth Hostel "Piero Rotta". There is a direct underground train connection from the hostel to the Ice Rink which takes about 25 minutes. For more info please visit this website:

<http://www.ostellionline.org/ostello.php?idostello=208>.

Here are a few alternative lodging possibilities, more expensive but closer to the ice rink:

HOTEL VILLA TORRETTA - (distance from ice rink:1.8 km.)
VIA MILANESE 1 - SESTO SAN GIOVANNI (MI)
02.241121
category » ****

HOTEL NUOVO RONDÒ - (distance from ice rink:1.2 km.)
5, V. Solferino - SESTO SAN GIOVANNI (MI)
02.22472558
category » ***

HOTEL EUROPA - (distance from ice rink:1.3 km.)
VIA FIRENZE 49 - SESTO SAN GIOVANNI (MI)
02.26225497
category » ***

HOTEL BERT - (distance from ice rink:1.7 km.)
VIA DEL RICCIO RENZO 200 - SESTO SAN GIOVANNI (MI)
02.26222590
category » ***

ALBERGO BRISTOL - (distance from ice rink:1.3 km.)
VIA BANDIERA FRATELLI 100 - SESTO SAN GIOVANNI (MI)
02.22470673
category » **

HOTEL SESTO DI ZHOU ZHIJIAN - (distance from ice rink:1.9 km.)
VIA BUOZZI BRUNO 174 - SESTO SAN GIOVANNI (MI)
02.22470500
category » **

Please also check <http://www.turismo.comune.milano.it/pls/milano/turismo?lang=2&pid=0> for further tourist information, including hotel lists and maps.

Transportation:

To Milan

The closest airport is 'Milan Linate', followed by 'Orio al Serio' and 'Milan Malpensa'. All are serviced by efficient public transportation means. The trip from Malpensa to Milan by train takes 50 minutes, while Linate is only about 10 minutes away. We suggest that teams arrive in Milan Friday evening and schedule their departure after 17:00 on Sunday.

Within Milan

Please check <http://www.atm-mi.it/eng/default.asp> for info about public transportation in Milan's metropolitan area.