

PARENTS

Whether to encourage or allow an offspring to participate in something new and different is often a challenging decision. You don't want to stifle experimentation and enjoyment, but at the same time you want to determine that the new activity will be relatively safe, fun and affordable. ICE SOCCER is that new-something for you to consider for your kids and for you yourselves to consider, as adult players.

A Very Inclusive Sport

ICE SOCCER gives the non-skater a fast-action aerobic ice sport that:

- is easy to learn and fun to play
- is for ages 10 and above – all male, all female or coed teams
- can be played at many different intensity levels from very casual to highly competitive
- does not require a highly developed skill set to begin and have fun
- doesn't require advanced physical conditioning for casual play or initial competitive play
- has teams of 9-10 per side on full-ice or 4-5 per side on half-ice. Cross-ice play (1/3-1/2 of an NHL or Olympic size rink) is also an option for 2-8 players per side.
- can be played on frozen lakes/ponds/canals or flooded/frozen ice surfaces
- is relatively inexpensive when compared to other winter and on-ice sports

What Did You Think When Your Kids Asked to Play Football or Ice Hockey or to Skateboard or Ski?

- ICE SOCCER is a non-contact sport, though some incidental contact is possible.
- ICE SOCCER players quickly learn how to run on ice. Yes, some falling is involved, but they get up and continue play just as a fallen figure skater or skier or skateboarder will do. For players who purchase hi-traction-on-ice broomball shoes, slipping, sliding and falling is greatly reduced.
- As an added safety precaution, ICE SOCCER players are urged to wear protective gear such as a helmet, elbow pads etc.. Such gear is required in organized competitive play, as it is in many established sports.
- New hi-traction-on-ice broomball shoes and required protective gear are available for under \$175 (2018 pricing).

LEARN MORE by clicking on each of the following links:

- **watch** video clips of ICE SOCCER in play – especially the *Survivors* game in Traverse City, Michigan => http://icesoccer.com/ice_soccer_in_play.html
- **read** “What Players think about ICE SOCCER”
=> <http://icesoccer.com/pdf/players-thoughts.pdf>
- **learn** “Who is in the Win-Win Scenario for ICE SOCCER”
=> <http://icesoccer.com/pdf/win-win.pdf>
- **understand** why ice rinks should offer it (“10 Reasons to Offer ICE SOCCER”)
=> <http://icesoccer.com/pdf/10-reasons.pdf>
- **hear** unrehearsed and unedited comments on video clip from two TV *Survivors* contestants, Lisa Keiffer (Vanuatu) and Billy Garcia (Cook Island)
=> <http://icesoccer.com/in-play-videos.html?video=2>
- **read** “ICE SOCCER Falls and Risk” => <http://icesoccer.com/pdf/falls.pdf>

ACTION you can take:

- **Tell** your friends about ICE SOCCER and your interest in playing it
- **Expect** naysayers who haven't taken time to understand the sport
- **Find** out who else is interested in playing it **and sign them up** for a team
- **Circulate** the "Interest Sign-up Form" **and return** completed ones to your local rink owner/manager AND recreation/fitness planner at the city and/or office
=> <http://icesoccer.com/pdf/interest-form.pdf>
- **Contact** local rink owners/management and/or recreational planners or corporate recreation/physical fitness program administrators **and ask** them to offer it
- **Buy**, or urge the local rink owner/manager to buy a Boot'r **so you can play** either at the local rink or on a frozen lake/pond => <http://icesoccer.com/bootr.html>
- **Bring** two already organized teams (any sport) to your local rink to trial-play ICE SOCCER
- **Remember:** You can play full-ice games with 9 players per side when at full strength or you can play half-ice games with 4-5 players per side.