



# Top 9 Reasons to Play HOCKEY

- 1. Meet and mingle with 10,000 athletes and artists at the world's largest sporting event open to all**
- 2. Be one of 300-plus hockey competitors expected**
- 3. Play at the practice facility of the Lake Erie Monsters, Cleveland's AHL Hockey Team**
- 4. Compete at the last Gay Games in North America until at least 2022**
- 5. Play in the coolest sport at the Gay Games**
- 6. Enjoy GG9-provided transportation from central points**
- 7. Rock out the Closing Ceremony at Rock and Roll Hall of Fame**
- 8. Join the biggest LGBT sports party held every 4 years**
- 9. Teach the sports world a lesson in inclusion - on welcoming rinks!**

Register today! [www.GG9CLE.com](http://www.GG9CLE.com)



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2014 

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# Ice Hockey FAQ

## When?

Games Week: 9-16 August 2014

Hockey: 11-15 August 2014 between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m.

## Where?

OBM Arena near Strongsville in Greater Cleveland

## What about transportation?

Participants have access to GG9-provided transportation, including public transport, and private shuttles from central Cleveland location to the rink. Shuttle service also will be available between central locations in Cleveland and Akron.

## How will the tournament be run?

2 rounds: Preliminary (round-robin) and Medal

A maximum of 16 players and 2 goaltenders and a minimum of 10 players and one goaltender are required per team. Each player may only register for one team per division (Women's and/or Men's/Mixed, not on two teams within a division), and all individuals must be assigned a team regardless of ability. Women are allowed to play on men's teams.

Medals are awarded to the top 3 teams in each division's skill level.

## What are the rules?

The competition is conducted under the rules of the International Ice Hockey Federation (IIHF) and at the recommendation of Gay Hockey International (GHI). To read more about the Gay Games Tournament Rules visit [www.gg9cle.com/participate/sports/ice-hockey](http://www.gg9cle.com/participate/sports/ice-hockey)

## How does a team register?

The team captain registers the team through [GG9CLE.com/registration](http://GG9CLE.com/registration) by creating a Team Code that can be shared with all prospective teammates. A team member must use that code when he or she completes the general and hockey registration process or return to the site later to add the team code.

General registration is \$195 per participant before 31 May 2014.

Upon completion, each participant can register for a specific sport. The fee for hockey is \$90.

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## Divisions

### MEN (mixed)

\*Novice  
Intermediate  
Advanced

### WOMEN

Intermediate  
Advanced

\*-Novice Division will be a drop-in division. No groups/teams may enter. Each participant will enter as an individual player and tournament directors will create even-strength teams based on player's self evaluations.

**Parameters:** A maximum of 18 players and a minimum of 11 players are required per team.

Each player only may register with one hockey team, and all individuals must be assigned a team regardless of ability.

Medals are awarded to the top three (3) teams in each division's skill level.

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