



FIH AWARDS

1. HONORARY MEMBERS

The honour includes awarding the title “President of Honour” and “Member of Honour” and is designed to celebrate and encourage outstanding commitment and contribution to the sport of hockey.

Eligibility

- Persons who have served as members of the Executive Board for a minimum of 10 years.
- Individuals not having been a member of the Executive Board as a special honour for those who have truly made their mark through outstanding contribution and dedication to hockey.
- In the case of this award being presented to an FIH President they will have the title of President of Honour and have served a minimum of two terms as President.

Authority to Confer Award

- The award is conferred by the Ordinary Congress on the recommendation of the Executive Board following input from the Awards Panel.
- Not more than 2 awards may be made at any Ordinary Congress.
- Awarded in exceptional circumstances (ie not necessarily at every Congress).

Form of Award/Entitlements

- Members of Honour are entitled to wear the golden insignia and rosette.
- Certificate.

2. ORDER OF MERIT

The Order of Merit recognises outstanding commitment to hockey over an extended period which has significantly helped develop the sport of hockey.

Eligibility

- Individuals within FIH for outstanding service over a period of at least ten years to recognise exceptional achievement or contribution to the work of the FIH.
- Individuals who have not worked within the FIH but who have strived to deliver constructive and positive development over a period of at least 15 years which has benefited hockey.

Authority to Confer Award

- The award is conferred by the Executive Board on the recommendation of the Awards Panel.
- No more than four (4) awards may be given in each two year period.

Form of Award/Entitlements

- Green (shades) lapel insignia and bronze medal with green (shades) ribbon.
- Certificate.

3. DIPLOMA OF MERIT

The Diploma of Merit is awarded to individuals who have helped develop hockey over a shorter period of time and whose commitment and results are equally inspiring.

Eligibility

- Individuals, whether or not they have worked within FIH.
- Shorter period of service, lesser than required for the Order of Merit.

Authority to Confer Award

- The award is conferred by the Executive Board on the recommendation of the Awards Panel.
- No more than three (3) awards may be given in each two year period.

Form of Award/Entitlements

- Certificate.

4. PRESIDENT’S AWARD

The President’s Award recognises individuals or National Associations having excelled with initiatives, projects or programmes that have contributed over a long period of time to the enrichment of the sport at international level.

Eligibility

- Individuals and National Associations and other organisations for valuable services to hockey, whether direct or indirect, or initiatives which have had a significant effect on hockey at international level.

Authority to Confer Award

- The award is conferred by and at the discretion of the President upon recommendations from the Executive Board.
- No more than ten (10) awards may be given during a two year period.

Form of Award/Entitlements

- A lapel badge or a golden necklace
- Certificate.

5. PABLO NEGRE TROPHY

This Trophy is presented to a National Association that has made a significant mark either through innovative programmes and initiatives or by embracing the true spirit of hockey through exceptional sportsmanship over the past two years.

Background

The Trophy is dedicated to the memory of Pablo Negre, an outstanding leader in the hockey world who dedicated the majority of his life to the sport of hockey and the FIH.

It was presented to the FIH in 1973 by his family and his friends.

Eligibility

- The Trophy is presented to a National Association that has undertaken inspirational activities and initiatives, or exemplified the true spirit of hockey through exceptional sportsmanship during the previous two years.

Authority to Confer the Award

- This award is conferred by the Executive Board upon recommendation of the Awards Panel.
- Recommendations may be submitted on the official forms by NAs, CFs or individuals.
- It is awarded every two years.

Form of Award/Entitlements

- Framed diploma.
- A trophy with engraved PN picture and name of recipient.
- The trophy itself remains in the permanent possession of the FIH.

6. SUPER FAIR PLAY TROPHY RENE G. FRANK

The Super Fair Play Trophy recognises a team or individual having upheld the spirit of hockey and conveyed the utmost respect for their opponents through exemplary sportsmanship on or off the field.

Background

This Trophy was created by the FIH to celebrate the life of Mr René G. Frank who was respectively Secretary General from 1950 to 1966 and President from 1966 to 1983 and his invaluable contribution to the FIH and world hockey.

Following the retirement of Mr René G. Frank the Trophy was presented to the FIH in Brussels in 1984 by the Association Royale Belge de Hockey during the 60th Anniversary celebrations of the FIH.

Eligibility

- The Trophy is awarded every two years in conjunction with the Ordinary Congress to a team (men, women, senior, junior) or an individual having demonstrated the greatest spirit of sportsmanship during a period of two or four years.

Authority to Confer the Award

- The Trophy is awarded every two years by the Executive Board on the recommendation of the Awards Panel.
- Recommendations may be submitted on the official forms by NAs, CFs, or individuals for consideration by the Awards Panel.
- FIH Reps have a particular responsibility to submit nominations to the Awards Panel following events.

Form of Award/Entitlements

- Miniature replica of the original award is given once every two years in conjunction with the Ordinary Congress.
- Certificate.
- The trophy itself remains in the permanent possession of the FIH.

7. GUUST LATHOUWERS MEMORIAL TROPHY

This Trophy is awarded to an individual who has made a significant mark on the development of umpiring.

Background

This award was created by the FIH and presented by the Koninklijke Nederlandse Hockey Bond to celebrate the life of Guust Lathouwers and to recognise his immense contribution to the FIH and world hockey in the area of umpiring.

Eligibility

- An individual considered to have given outstanding service which has enriched the sport of hockey through the development and promotion of Umpiring.

Authority to Confer the Award

- The trophy is awarded every two years by the Executive Board on the recommendation of the Awards Panel and the Umpiring Committee.
- Recommendations may be submitted on the official forms by NAs, CFs or individuals.

Form of Award/Entitlements

- Medal inserted in a plaque representing Guust Lathouwers is awarded once every two years in conjunction with the Ordinary Congress.
- Certificate.

8. THEO YKEMA AWARD

The Theo Ykema Award is presented to a National Association which has inspired, developed and enriched hockey in its homeland through various projects and initiatives.

Background

Theo Ykema was a member of the Executive Board from 1990 until 2006, the same year in which he became Honorary Member. He was instrumental in promoting both coaching and development and under his Chairmanship of the Development Committee the FIH appointed a Coaching Manager and Development Manager and later five Continental Development Officers.

Eligibility

A National Association that has fulfilled the following criteria:

- New development initiatives.
- Increase hockey activities.
- Increase participation in tournaments & events, local, national, continental & international.
- Increase the number of qualified officials, including umpires, coaches and technical officials.
- Participation in regional, continental and international seminars and activities.
- Increase in number of active members, men and women, juniors and seniors.

Authority to Confer the Award

- The Award is given every two years by the Executive Board on the recommendation of the Awards Panel.
- Recommendations may be submitted on the official forms by NAs, CDOs, CFs, or individuals for consideration by the Awards Panel.

Form of Award/Entitlements

- A trophy and a cash payment of € 1000 represented by a giant cheque is given once every two years in conjunction with the Ordinary Congress.
- Certificate.

9. ETIENNE GLICHITCH AWARD

This Award is in recognition of an individual, Continental Federation or National Association having developed hockey through innovative ideas and/or the professionalisation of their organisation.

Background

Etienne Glichitch was the Hon. Secretary of the FIH from 1966 until 1984, when he became its President, a post which he held until 1996. Etienne's dynamic approach and dedicated commitment to the sport laid much of the groundwork for the FIH as it is known today.

Eligibility

- An individual, Continental Federation or National Association having made significant contribution to the growth and development of hockey at local, continental, national or international level, particularly but not limited to administration, governance, innovative ideas and selfless dedication to hockey.

Authority to Confer the Medal

- The Award is given every two years by the Executive Board on the recommendation of the Awards Panel.
- Recommendations may be submitted on the official forms by NAs, CFs, or individuals for consideration by the Awards Panel.

Form of Award/Entitlements

- A medal incrustated in a trophy is presented to the successful recipient and is given once every two years in conjunction with the Ordinary Congress.

- Certificate.

10. HRH SULTAN AZLAN SHAH AWARD

The HRH Sultan Azlan Shah Award is designed to acknowledge actions and achievements undertaken by an individual not only within hockey but also in their professional careers.

Background

This award is dedicated to the memory and spirit of the late HRH Sultan Azlan Shah, former King of Malaysia, whose commitment and passion for hockey led to its growth and development during the decades of his Presidency of Malaysian and Asian Hockey. His numerous accomplishments included creating a long-term athlete career programme and sustainable education projects, as well as introducing the prestigious Sultan Azlan Shah Cup event. He conceived bold initiatives which were needed to globalise hockey at that time, resulting in immense growth and development of his favourite sport.

This award is designed to acknowledge an individual who has not only made outstanding contributions to hockey but who also serves as an inspirational role model.

Eligibility

- An individual (Athlete, Coach, Umpire, Official) who best exemplifies extraordinary professional achievement both in and outside of hockey.

AND/OR

- A professional administrator or manager who works tirelessly to make hockey a high performing sport nationally, internationally and globally. An individual whose leadership, vision and drive makes him or her an inspirational role model beyond the sport of hockey.

Authority to Confer the Award

- Providing there is a suitable candidate for the Award, it will be given every two years by the Executive Board on the recommendation of the Awards Panel in conjunction with the Ordinary Congress.
- Recommendations may be submitted on the official forms by NAs, CFs, or individuals for consideration by the Awards Panel.

Form of Award/Entitlements

- A trophy presented to the successful recipient is given once every two years in conjunction with the Ordinary Congress.
- Certificate.

Note: a full list of FIH awards presented to date may be found on the FIH website – www.fih.ch

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