

Contractor Title	GB Women's Equipment Manager
Location	Home Based with travel to training and competition venues in the UK and
	overseas
Contract	Voluntary with Expenses
	£35.00 per diem on IIHF International Competition Duty
Term	7th -11th February 2024 – 4 Nations Competition
	25th March – 7th April 2024 – IIHF World Championships
Responsible to:	GB Women's Head Coach

Purpose

The GB Women's Equipment Manager is responsible for delivering high quality equipment management and support services to the GB Women's national team whilst at training camps and international competitions in the UK and overseas.

Reporting to the GB Women's Head Coach, this role will also, when required, work collaboratively with the GB Technical Director, GB National Squads Director and GB Head of Performance to contribute to the delivery and development of equipment management and support services to the overall GB Women's programme.

The GB Women's Equipment Manager is expected to support the GB Women's programme in person at their training camps, at the Four Nations tournament, at IIHF World Championships and Olympic Prequalification and Qualification tournaments.

Key Tasks and Responsibilities

1. Supporting Elite athletes through -

- Leading the equipment preparation and management for athletes and support staff at GB women's training camps and competitions (dressing room and bench management)
- Leading management, maintenance, repairs and modifications of equipment necessary to facilitate high quality team performances
- Co-ordinating with Coaches, Players and the Team Manager regarding requisition of and distribution of team equipment
- Inspection of player equipment (team supplied and player own) to ensure proper fitting, safety and usability
- Managing inventory and distribution of all team performance consumable products

2. Supporting Elite athlete environments through -

- Keeping the dressing room and team bench clean, tidy and organized and mentoring the athletes in how to maintain their own stalls
- Managing packing and transportation of equipment for team travel
- Contributing to the delivery of a high performance culture that underpins success and exceptional player development

- Working collaboratively and positively with all members of the team's off-ice staff
 (coaches, manager, medical staff) to create an exceptional culture and environment in
 which both athletes and staff can perform to the best of their abilities.
- Supporting the development of player welfare and wellbeing activities

3. Supporting IHUK programmes through -

- Ensuring sponsorship branding is correctly used and presented and in compliance with IIHF Supplier Pool guidelines and IHUK
- Maintain an accurate inventory of all Ice Hockey UK equipment, jerseys and supplies
- Presenting a positive image of GB ice hockey and Ice Hockey UK to all stakeholders, partners and with the media, and wear GB clothing at all appropriate times.
- Providing feedback to GB Women's Head Coach, GB National Squads Director and Head
 of Performance on equipment related areas for improvement for yearly programme
 reviews.
- Actively engage with continuing professional development and work with the Lead Equipment Manager to maintain an up-to-date personal development plan
- Undertaking any required training courses provided by IHUK and Stakeholders that are required to ensure
- Supporting the development of equipment managers across the IHUK system
- Following and promoting all Ice Hockey UK training policies ensuring these are understood, in particular policies on safeguarding and anti-doping.

The GB Women's Equipment Manager should be able to demonstrate the following desirable skills, knowledge and experience

- Understanding of an elite ice hockey environment and dressing room standards
- Understanding of ice hockey equipment and ability to maintain and adapt where needed
- Ability to provide a skate sharpening service to athletes, either using Blademaster or Sparx equipment
- Ability to travel with the team for training and competitions
- Desire to stay up to date with industry trends and advancements in ice hockey equipment and their safety regulations

This contractor role is subject to the person providing or passing the following

- Providing an enhanced DBS check certificate
- An in date First Aid certificate
- Safeguarding & Protecting Children certificate
- Proof of ability to work in the UK

Other Requirements

Full UK driving license and access to a vehicle

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How to apply

To apply, please provide your CV and a short cover letter highlighting why you would successful in the role – this should be sent to: andrew.partridge@icehockeyuk.co.uk

Closing date for applications is 5th January 2024.

Selection Process

It is envisaged that online interviews will take place during the weeks commencing 8th January 2023.