

Contact details

The SV ISF handbook is published each term due to changes in the schedule and contains all the information for membership, training and sporting fixtures in the forthcoming academic year plus all German School Sports Tournaments (GISST) fixtures.

This information booklet does NOT refer to any SLO activities.

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1. The Sportverein

The role of the Sportverein (SV) within ISF

The word *Sportverein* translated literally means *Sport Club* and as such, the SV ISF is the school's official Sports Club. Needless to say, for non-native residents, the concept of having an independent Sports Club to manage the school's sports programme can be a little perplexing but for this reason, it is very important to understand the role of the SV ISF within the context of ISF.

Formerly, as a newly established international school in the early 1990's, one of its major difficulties was in trying to organise a competitive inter-school sporting programme for ISF students, as there was very little synergy with the local State schools in the area. However, in Germany, as all sports are organised and regulated by the German Sports Federation (Deutsche Olympische Sportbund) in a three tier pyramid-like structure (as illustrated below), establishing an independent *Sportverein* within the school, opened up the competitive field considerably.

- Tier 1 **German Sports Federation**
Oversees all 16 German States plus the National Olympic Committee
- Tier 2 **Landessportbund**
In case of ISF, the Landessportbund Hessen administers and promotes all sporting activities between its member Sportvereins
- Tier 3 **Official Sport Associations**
In the State of Hesse, there are 38 different associations that deal directly with the development of their respective sport

How the SV ISF functions

The function of the SV ISF is to provide a wide range of sporting activities which includes: Badminton, Basketball, Cross Country, Golf, Gymnastics, Nordic Walking, Soccer, Swimming, Tennis, Track and Field and Volleyball.

The SV ISF recruits coaches and instructors in order to train its teams, who then represent the school in not only friendly matches but also official leagues throughout the State of Hesse and against other International Schools in Germany.

By careful management of membership fees, some ISF financial support and kind donations, the SV ISF is able to oversee a comprehensive training programme for all the sports listed here, which are available on a weekly basis during period six, nine and/or after school.

The SV ISF also organises all inter school matches and competitions, which can take place during the week and/or at weekends. All of the relevant training schedules, competition fixtures and contact points depending on the type of sport, age and ability for all SV ISF members are here in this booklet.

Family swimming on Sundays, a family ski week in Austria and several training camps will complete the program.

Commitment to Excellence

When a student participates as a SV ISF or GISST team member, they do so as both ISF and SV ISF representatives, which comes with a certain responsibility or *commitment to excellence*. This includes, for example, sportsmanship, academic standing, trust, respect, leadership and team spirit. This commitment should extend to their teammates, their coach and everyone in SV ISF and ISF throughout the whole season.

How to Join

All students wishing to participate in an ISF team must become a SV ISF member. Likewise, all non-SLO sporting activities require SV ISF membership.

Adult membership for over 18's is also possible and families wishing to take advantage of the family discount are also welcome (very practical if more than one member of your family is an ISF student) and for some sports, especially those interested in swimming, membership grants pool use at weekends or Nordic walking sessions during the week (times listed in training schedule). There is also a group of adult runners sent to half marathons and marathons.

Prior to joining, there is a trial period of one week for all sports, where no fee is charged. After the trial period, all sporting participants are required to fill out a **One Year SV ISF membership form** (available from Uli Groh, at the reception, from the website) with the relevant bank details. **For participation in all sports we need a doctors attest and a pass photo.**

Please note, as this is a standing order debit, if you wish to terminate your membership, it must be cancelled at the end of the current school year or it will automatically be debited the next year.

The fees for the school year 2011/12

| | Non-ISF Members Euro / Year | ISF Members Euro/ Year |
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| First Child (age up to 18) | € 300 | € 150 |
| Second child (age up to 18) | € 260 | € 130 |
| Family membership* | € 590 | € 295 |
| Sponsorship** | € 1000 | € 500 |
| Additional fees for Swim courses | € 100 | € 50 |
| Additional fees for Tennis Term I | € 50 | € 25 |
| Additional fees for Tennis Term III | € 50 | € 50 |
| Registration fee | € 20 | € 10 |

* includes all family members as children, parents and grandparents – no other relatives

** SV ISF gratefully welcomes any form of sponsorship and issues the required charitable donation tax forms

For your information and in order to put the membership fees into some perspective, each team player is issued with a Player's Passport for each individual sport, which allows that student to compete in the German National Leagues.

If a student plays in more than one team, he/she will receive a Passport for each team sport. These Passports, costing between €10 and €30 each - depending on the sport - are paid for by the SV ISF.

In addition, the SV ISF needs to pay for insurance, membership fees for the sports federations, coaches, uniforms and competition fees. These costs are unavoidable and part of the requirements of being a *Sportverein and a non-profit organisation*.

To ensure player and team competitiveness, a team selection process occurs after the **Try-outs Week - which will take place on August 29 to September 6, 2011.**

Coaches select their team players and these selections - purely the coaches' decision - are FINAL.

Any players not selected and still wishing to take part will be placed on the appropriate waiting lists.

Team practice may be once or twice a week, depending. In addition to this booklet, practice timetables are posted on the Sportverein Bulletin Board opposite reception, on the website (www.sv-isf.de or www.isf-net.de) and hereby in this booklet.

Please note the competition schedule for each sport.

Any new ISF students (entering during the school year) are welcome to tryout and every effort will be made for their inclusion.

In order to be successful both as individuals and as a team, team members must attend all practice sessions and games.

Anyone who cannot attend a practice or competition must tell his/her coach within 48 hours of the proposed absence. Failure to do so, jeopardizes future team participation. The only accepted reasons for non-attendance are academic and family emergencies. **We appreciate a note from the parents in any case of missing practice.**

Rules and Regulations

Adherence to the Rules and Regulations governing all the International Schools participating in athletic competition is mandatory. Needless to say, these rules apply throughout the season, at home games, when travelling and as guest athletes. Students must abide by all rules such as **no alcohol or tobacco use**, curfews or any rule set forth by the host schools (as for example those found in the ISF Student-Parent Handbook and GISST Handbook).

If there are any doubts as to what these may be, please confer with the GISST Sports Coordinator, Uli Groh.

Lost Property

SV ISF cannot take responsibility for loss of money or any personal belongings:

Personal valuables (iphones, ipods, jewelleries etc.) and large amounts of money must NEVER be brought to SV ISF practice. All students and parents should be aware that SV ISF athletes MUST use the ISF LOCKERS next to the changing rooms to store all of their valuables during training and games. Coaches offer the use of additionally valuables boxes.

In case of having no Euro piece students may borrow one in the SV ISF office or with the coach.

2. INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS SPORTS

ISF has regularly participated in sporting events with various other international schools in Germany, which are currently organised by the SV ISF. In addition, the SV ISF has been a member of the **German Schools Sports Tournament (GISST)** organisation since its beginning.



These are the participating international schools:

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| Bavarian International School (BIS) | Berlin International School(BerIS)* |
| Berlin Brandenburg International School (BBIS) | International School Stuttgart (ISS)* |
| Berlin British School (BBS) | Leipzig International School (LIS)* |
| Dresden International School(DIS) | Internationale Schule am Rhein in Neuss (ISR)* |
| International School Hannover Region (ISHR) | Franconian International School (FIS)* |
| Internationale Schule Frankfurt-Rhein-Main (ISFRM) | * Associate Members (on probation for the next school year) |

All of the above international schools meet for a series of Interschool Championship Tournaments (for both boys and girls) depending on the sport. These tournaments are organised for teams in two age groups – the Under 14 and Varsity teams. Cross-Country and Swim Meets are also arranged for Grades 2 to 5.

A special point scoring system allows the GISST organisation to present an Overall Winner by the end of the school year.

As Bonn International School were the school that originally invited all other schools in order to start up the GISST organisation together with ISFRM and BBS, Peter Murphy, the school director from Bonn International School was involved from the start. When he left Bonn International School he decided to donate a trophy and it was decided that it would be donated to the most successful school based on overall points.

So far ISFRM won the Peter Murphy Trophy once in 2006/07 and in 2010/11 we missed the award with 2 points. For 2011/12 we wish our athletes all the best and good luck!

GISST Schedule

The list of fixtures where ISFRM applied for participation and respective Host School for the 2011/12 school year are as follows:

| GISST Tournaments | Date | Venue | Results |
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| 2011/12 | | | |
| Cross Country (Interschool, U14, Varsity Girls and Boys) | Sep 30 – Oct 1 | Berlin British School (BBS) | <i>Interschool:</i> G 5 boys and girls 1st G 3 boys 2nd U14 Boys 1st U14 Girls 2nd Varsity Boys 1st Varsity Girls 3rd |
| U14 Boys Soccer | Nov 10 -12 | Berlin International School (BerIS) | 2nd |
| U14 Girls Soccer | Nov 17 - 19 | Berlin Brandenburg International School (BBIS) | No participation |
| Varsity Boys Soccer | Nov 10 - 12 | Stuttgart International School (BerIS) | 7th |
| Varsity Girls Soccer | Nov 10 - 12 | Berlin British School (BBS) | No participation |
| Varsity Boys and Girls Volleyball | Nov 24-26 | Dresden International School (DIS) | |
| Badminton U14 Girls and Boys | Dec 8-10 | Internationale Schule am Rhein in Neuss (ISR) | U14 B: 3rd U14 G: 2nd |
| Badminton Varsity Girls and Boys | Dec 8-10 | Leipzig International School (LIS) | VB: 3rd VG: 3rd |
| Swimming (U14 & Varsity Girls and Boys) | Jan 27-28 | International School Frankfurt-Rhein-Main (ISFRM) HOUSING!!! | U14 Boys: 1st U14 Girls: 1st VG: 1st VB: 2nd |
| Varsity Girls Basketball | Mar 1-3 | Bavarian International School (BIS) | 2nd |
| Varsity Boys Basketball | Mar 1-3 | Berlin Brandenburg International School (BBIS) | 1st |
| U14 Girls Basketball | Mar 22-24 | International School Hannover Region (ISHR) | |
| U14 Boys Basketball | Mar 22-24 | Franconian International School (FIS) | |
| Tennis (Varsity Girls and Boys) | May 3-5 | Leipzig International School (LIS) | |
| Interschool Swim Competition | Apr 29-30 | International School Frankfurt-Rhein-Main (ISFRM) HOUSING!!! | |

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| Golf (U14 and Varsity mixed, HCP 30 and better) | May 25-26 | t.b.a | cancelled |
| Track&Field (U14 and Varsity Girls and Boys) | June 1-2 | Bavarian International School (BIS) | |

Eligibility for all Team participation

Only students who are fully paid up members of the SV ISF and meet the required academic and socially accepted behavioural standards are eligible to become SV ISF Team members and participate in the GISST or any other competition.

Participation in the above mentioned tournaments is open to all students, however decisions to exclude certain students for reasons above are made by the respective team Coaches, GISST Sports Coordinator and/or ISF Principal. Although eligibility for each sport varies depending on age, these basic guidelines apply.

(For exact guidelines, please confer with respective teams coach or the GISST Sports Coordinator.)

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| Inter School league participants | Grades 2 to 5 |
| Under 14 participants (must be born before 1 st September 1997) | Grades 6 to 8 |
| Varsity participants | Grades 9 to 12 |

The ***SV ISF tracksuit*** (blue/yellow) is required. The ***players uniforms*** will be offered by SV ISF and the ***GISST t-shirt*** for each GISST player has been sponsored by Parent Network. Swim team members are competing in blue Speedos and must wear a SV ISF bathing cap.

Accommodation

In general, when ISF teams travel to competitions requiring overnight accommodation, the host teams find host families for our athletes. Therefore, when ISF plays host, ***SV ISF members and their families are expected to provide housing for guest athletes.***

As a pre-requirement for membership, families of ISF athletes are ***duty bound to host two (or more) athletes from other schools at home competition matches.*** This is a condition of their son/daughter's participation in the *Sportverein* program and an excellent opportunity for the athletes and their families to develop friendships with other schools both at home and abroad. Further, as this is a reciprocal agreement among the competing schools, ***the success of all organised competitions rests upon the promised co-operation, participation and involvement of all concerned.***

The SV ISF coaches and GISST Sports Coordinator make all the accommodation arrangements by conferring with both the athletes and their families. Naturally, a schedule and important information is published and handed out prior to any of the major sporting event. If a school cannot house all Interschool and GISST athletes it might happen that students and accompanying adults stay overnight in youth hostel accommodation.

Travel & Tournament Coaching

Parents are required to pay **All COSTS associated with the tournament** they are travelling to (transportation, lodging of their individual SV ISF member and coaches). **These fees must be paid in full to the SV ISF Bank account prior to the trip.**

If a student withdraws or is withdrawn for any reason, any resulting cost to the school or SV ISF must still be paid, even in the event of non-participation.

Obviously, SV ISF and the GISST Sports Coordinator try to secure the best possible transport for these events and ones, which place the least amount of financial burden on the participants and their families.

Rules

1. **Health:** In the event of a medical or surgical emergency, I, the student's parent/guardian, hereby give permission to any physician, selected by the school, to secure proper treatment, including hospitalization if necessary. Parents need to secure that the ISF Medical form is always up to date!
2. **Waivers of Liability:** Certain activities have an increased risk of injury associated with them. The school is not responsible for the loss of or damage to students' personal belongings by fire, theft, etc. The school recommends that students do not bring along expensive clothing, watches, cameras, jewelry, iphones or any other expensive items. Any valuables **MUST** be given to the coach and be safely stored.
3. **General Matters:** Parents agree that the student will abide by the general conduct rules held at the school and those rules and regulations present at the places to be visited during this trip. Parents and Players must sign the ***GISST player's contract***.
4. **Travel Arrangements:** The player is part of a school group, and is to remain with that group at all times. No other travel arrangements are to be made other than those already made by the school for the entire group.
5. **Photo/Video Release:** Parents will inform the school if they give no permission to take photo/video tapes for school websites, brochures, newsletters, IGCSE or other publicity materials).

Any other Forthcoming Events 2011/12

The SV ISF also organises the following events for you to watch out for:

1 May 2012 ISF Golf Fundraising Tournament

29 May 2012 Gymnastics Gala

Summer Break 2012

2 – 6 July 2012 Annual Soccer Camp at ISF for all Grades

9 – 13 July 2012 Annual Sports Camp at ISF for all Grades

18 – 22 July 2012 Annual Basketball Camp at ISF for Upper Primary and Secondary

Application forms are available from the reception and school website.