

Annex 9 - UIAA Ice Climbing World Tour Sustainability Guidelines

The UIAA is a signatory of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) [Sports for Climate Action](#) and is committed to reducing its carbon footprint by 45% by 2030.

In 2018 UIAA Ice Climbing events (including associated travel) had a carbon footprint of 171 tonnes of CO₂ and in 2019 (due to more events) this rose to 204 tonnes of CO₂. This represents 47% and 58% respectively of the total calculated carbon footprint of the UIAA. Our mission is to ensure that greater efforts are made to reduce the carbon footprint and overall environmental impact associated with UIAA Ice Climbing events, thereby supporting the UIAA's commitments towards those goals.

UIAA Ice Climbing Event Organisers must follow the recommendations below - with guidance on the practical implementation given in the 'Plastic Game Plan for Sport' from the IOC.

1. Local organisers commit to working with the UIAA to analyse their events to collect data and reduce their environmental impact as much as possible, by following the IOC event sustainability guidelines, using the included checklists.
2. Local organisers commit to avoid using single-use plastics at events, to be replaced with reusable or biodegradable options.
3. Local organisers should provide water fountains and encourage the use of reusable water bottles.
4. All UIAA & Local Organiser suppliers should be sourced with sustainability in mind – sourcing locally, avoiding single use products and plastic packaging.
5. All items associated with UIAA events should be recycled – either used again in the future or taken to recycling centres – all bins should be clearly labelled.
6. Encourage all athletes, staff and volunteers travelling to UIAA events to do so by minimising their environmental impact and/or offset the carbon footprint.

Data collection of the UIAA Ice Climbing World Tour – 2022/23

For this season it will be **mandatory for all local organisers to collect data** to calculate the baseline carbon footprint of your event, which will provide a basis for defining individual targets for each event for the 2024 season and beyond. Please use the **UIAA Event Carbon Footprint Calculator** to collect the following information for your event using the spreadsheet provided, within the scope of competition days only:

1. Energy usage at the venue over the period of the event, but also include any ice making energy consumption in Kwh.
2. Amount of non-recyclable waste created in Kg.
3. Amount of recyclable waste created in Kg.
4. Amount of single use plastic used in Kg.
5. Carbon footprint (or energy use in Kwh) of catering and other event providers - ask them to quantify this.
6. Any current measures in place to reduce the event's environmental footprint?