

Water Ski Manitoba Team Funding Policy

Approved: May 2006

Purpose:

WSM believes it is important to support elite athletes in their endeavours to achieve goals. The following policy is intended to ensure fairness to the athletes and to assist WSM to function within its budget constraints.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all male and female members of WSM 21 years of age and younger (as of January 1 of the competition year) who have been identified to the provincial team.

Exceptions:

Consideration will be given to National Team appointments for all disciplines as per classical guidelines.

The High Performance committee will collect the necessary data and calculate the funding for each athlete based on the current funding formula (appendix A). The funding formula will be reviewed annually by the High Performance Committee and any changes to the current formula must be approved by the Executive Board.

The final funding results will also be used to determine bingo allocations for athletes as outlined in the bingo policy.

The total **annual** budget amount for athlete funding **will not exceed \$22,000** and will be reviewed and approved by the Executive Committee yearly.

Expectations:

- Funded athletes are expected to attend Provincials, Western Canadian and National Championships. Any skier wishing to attend alternate commitments must submit written request to the high performance committee for permission of absence
- Funded athletes are also required to assist with bingos as per bingo policy.
- All athlete results used to determine funding must be substantiated by WSWC or the tournament sheet must be submitted.
- The competitive season will mirror that of the Athlete Assistance timeframe: November 1 to October 31st. Results must be from that time frame.
- Expenses will be paid out upon completion of funding commitments and return of final expense form. Funds will be held back on the final payment for each outstanding bingo spots at a value of \$100.00. Pay out is as follows:
 - 25% following Provincials
 - 25% following Westerns
 - 50% following Nationals

Consideration will be given for injured athletes or athletes who have incurred exceptional circumstances and who have communicated such issues to the High Performance committee in writing.

Review and approval

This policy was approved by the Board of Directors on May 19, 2006 and will be reviewed by the Executive Board on an annual basis.

Appendix A:
Funding Allocations

The following will apply:

- Funding is based on each skier's ratings as a percentage of the WSWC Nationals standard for each event. An overall **rating will be used in a minimum of 2 events**
- Skiers with percentages over 150% will receive \$2,000.00.*
- Skiers with percentages over 100% but under 150% will receive \$1,500.00.*
- Skiers with percentages over 80% but under 100% will receive \$1,000.00.*
- Skiers with percentages over 50% but under 80% will receive \$500.00.*
- National Team members will receive a bonus of \$750.00
- Second national team appt to be ½ the value of the first appt.

***Should the total funding amount exceed \$22,000 each individual athlete funding amount would decrease on a pro rata basis.**

Additional funds will be provided for medals at the National and Westerns as follows:

| | Gold | Silver | Bronze |
|-----------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Nationals | 100 | 75 | 50 |
| Westerns | 50 | 30 | 20 |
| | 1 st Overall | 2 nd Overall | 3 rd Overall |
| Nationals | 200 | 150 | 100 |
| Westerns | 100 | 75 | 50 |