ATHLETE ASSISTANCE

Purpose:

As per Sask Sport's Funding guidelines, this portion of funding is allocated to enable the SAA to provide direct funding support to athletes who are committed to compete beyond a provincial level and have the greatest potential to improve their performance standard and/or ranking at the national level. https://www.sasksport.ca/funding-recognition/funding-for-sport-groups/annual-funding/

Funding:

- The number of athletes approved for funding will be a maximum of 12 (if 3 or less applications are received division of funds will be at the discretion of the Board of Directors).
- Available funds will be determined by the SAA Board of Directors and the SAA annual budget.
- Funds may be used for training costs that directly relate to the sport of archery and competition costs (registration/entry fees, equipment purchase, travel expenses, etc.)

Athlete Eligibility and Criteria:

- Archers must be competing in either the Archery Canada U18 or U21 age category in the year of application.
- Be entering a minimum of the "Train to Compete" level of Long Term Archery Development. (www.archerycanada.ca/resources/long-term-archer-development-ltad/)
- Be a member of good standing with the SAA and Archery Canada.
- Must meet benchmark score requirements as outlined in the application.
- Matrix scores will be used in the event the SAA receives more applications than funds available.
- Must complete the Athlete Assistance Funding Application form. The application can be found below the Athlete Assistance policy on our website <u>https://saskarchery.ca/forms</u>
- Archers must be a Canadian Citizen with a primary residence in Saskatchewan (minimum 8 months per year). Students attending post secondary school outside of Saskatchewan are eligible to apply.
- Applications will be reviewed and approved by the SAA Board of Directors or a committee formed for such purpose.

Eligible Expenditures:

Training Costs

 all training costs incurred which directly relate to the sport for which the athlete was approved for assistance (examples – registration fees, purchase of required equipment, travel and accommodation costs)

Competition Costs

all costs incurred which directly relate to attending SAA approved competitions (examples – travel costs, entry fees).

All receipts must be dated May 1st of the previous year to March 1st of the current year.

Deadlines:

- Applications must be submitted no later than March 1st.
- Athlete approval should be completed by March 31st and notification will be sent to applicants at that time.
- Funding payout by April 30th