

# TEAM SELECTION POLICY

## Scope

1. Sask Squash has the responsibility to organize, develop and select athletes and teams to represent Saskatchewan at the Canadian Men's Team Championships, Canadian Women's Team Championships, and the Canadian Masters Team Championships. This policy describes the team selection process.

## Authority for Selection

2. Sask Squash's Board of Directors delegates the authority for all decision-making under this Policy to the Team Selection Committee.

## Goals / Objectives of Team Selection

3. The selection criteria are designed to select athletes who will create the best possible competitive and cohesive team.

## Athlete Eligibility

4. In order to be considered for any Sask Squash team, each candidate must:
  - a) Be an active member of Sask Squash;
  - b) Meet the requirements of the competition, as determined by Squash Canada (e.g., gender identity, age, etc);
  - c) Be available to meet all time requirements;
  - d) Submit an application to Sask Squash by November 15, outlining his or her ties to Saskatchewan, and including all relevant information toward the selection criteria, listed below; and
  - e) Have a strong connection to Saskatchewan, as deemed by the Team Selection Committee in its sole discretion. A strong Saskatchewan connection may be established by:
    - i. Being a current resident of Saskatchewan;
    - ii. Being a product of a provincial junior program; or
    - iii. Having been a resident of Saskatchewan for an extended period of time.

## Selection Criteria

5. The Team Selection Committee will assess athletes based on the following criteria:
  - a) PSA rankings;
  - b) Saskatchewan rankings;
  - c) Canada rankings;
  - d) Current season's sanctioned Saskatchewan Squash tournament results; and
  - e) Other relevant recent results, especially head-to-head matches.
6. The Team Selection Committee has discretion to weigh the above criteria by any method or formula that allows for Sask Squash to meet the Goals / Objectives of Team Selection.

## Funding

7. Individuals selected to teams will be reimbursed for some of their travel and tournament costs, including accommodations and entry fees. The travel cost reimbursement for the Men's and Women's team members will be limited to the cost of a return trip to the competition from Regina or Saskatoon, whichever is more. The travel and tournament cost reimbursement for the Masters team members will be a maximum of \$500. Should an athlete withdraw after receiving funds but prior to competition, the athlete is required to return all previously-provided funds to Sask Squash.

## Appeals

8. Any appeal of a Team Selection Committee decision can be made in accordance with Sask Squash's *Appeal Policy*.