

Future Best

Being on a national team or representing their country is a dream come true for many Saskatchewan athletes.

The Future Best program is specifically designed to assist those athletes who are in the “gap”. The gap is defined as the high performance developmental phase of an athlete’s career where they are involved in an intense level of training and competition with the personal goals and realistic potential of becoming a National Senior Team member, yet they have not reached carding status or been named to the National Senior Team.

Application Procedure:

- a.) Deadline for applications is December 1, annually;
- b.) Provincial Sport Organizations(PSO) will be responsible for registering and forwarding a password to those athletes who they identify as fully meeting the eligibility criteria;
- c.) Provincial Sport Organizations(PSO) will be responsible for recording the athletes on the NSO questionnaire and forwarding it to Archery Canada for completion.
- d.) Athletes identified by their PSO, will be responsible for completing the online application and the PSO will be notified when the application has been completed by the athlete.
- e.) A volunteer committee of Sask Sport Inc. (consisting of a cross section of sport volunteers) will review all applications received. All applicants and the PSO will be notified as to the results of each review.

Date: _____

Proposed Athlete: _____

SAA Requirements:

_____ SAA Team Member

_____ Meets Team Criteria

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible athletes **must meet the following conditions:**

- Legal Resident of Sask and active member in good standing with SAA
- OR an athlete pursuing a full time course of study at a Post Secondary Institution outside of Saskatchewan, or are training outside of Saskatchewan are eligible as long as all of the other eligibility criteria are fully met
- Be committed to making their sport’s National Senior Team and/or representing Canada at the international level.
- Can receive endorsement from their National Sport Organization, via the Future Best NSO Questionnaire.

Athletes from sports not currently eligible for the Sport Canada Athlete Assistance Program and who are members of Senior National Teams are eligible to apply for Future Best. Athletes will be considered for support; however to be assured that the National Team has a formalized and sophisticated National Team program, the Future Best committee will consider the following factors when determining the level of support provided:

- The number of countries and athletes participating in the World Championships
- The number of provinces with representation on the National Team
- The qualifying or team selection process
- The training requirements the athletes are required to complete

Performance Criteria

To be eligible athletes **must meet one or more** of the following performance criteria:

Have been identified as part of the developmental (“espoir”) team/pool at a National Senior Team level

Have demonstrated outstanding performance at the most recent National Championships or other recognized national/international senior level competitions;

Have represented Canada as a member of a National Junior Team or have been recently named to the National Junior Team;

Have demonstrated outstanding performance at the most recent National Junior Championships or other recognized national/international Junior level competitions.

Submitted By: _____

Position on Board of Directors

Signature: _____
