



*Bowls Alberta*



## Player Support Guidelines and Procedures

### Purpose

This policy describes the financial support members receive to represent Alberta or Canada at inter-provincial, Canadian, and international competitions. It also describes the financial support available to members participating in the Canadian National Team program.

Funding is determined annually by the Board of Directors of the Association of Bowls Alberta (BA) as part of the operating budget. The Board of Directors may revise approved funding in unusual circumstances, such as where revenue sources materially change after the approval of the yearly budget or certain costs rise substantially.

The guidelines for the 2023 season are as follows:

### Application

#### 1. Athletes

- i) Athletes are required to make their own travel and accommodation arrangements. BA will arrange and pay for the qualifying athletes' registration fees for the Canadian championships.
- ii) Expenses incurred by athletes will be reimbursed after submitting the proper receipts and claim forms within 30 days of the completion of the event.
- iii) Qualifying expenditures include accommodation and transportation.
- iv) Athletes will be reimbursed up to the limit set out in the table below.

Event	Expense Limit	Location
Youth	Expenses up to \$900	Out of province
Fours, Pairs, Singles	Expenses up to \$900	Out of province
Mixed Pairs	Expenses up to \$900	Out of province
Para bowls	Expenses up to \$400	In Alberta
Senior Triples	Expenses up to \$400	In Alberta
Indoor Singles	Expenses up to \$900	Out of province

#### 2. Assistants

Assistants who are approved by Bowls Alberta to support a Para player at the Canadian Para Championships will receive financial support to attend the Para Championships. They should work with the BA office to ensure that their expenses are reasonable; any expenses deemed excessive will be denied.

### **3. Coaches**

Coaches who are sanctioned to attend the championships to support Alberta athletes will receive financial support. They should work with the BA office to ensure that their expenses are reasonable; any expenses deemed excessive will be denied.

### **4. International Events and Athlete Support**

Athletes requesting financial support must assist with BA's application for use of casino funds by providing the BA office with the following information no later than 30 prior to the start of the event:

- Invitation to the event
- Financial support received by the athlete from other sources
- Anticipated expenses by category
- Travel dates
- Event schedule or itinerary

The amount of financial support available is equal to the qualifying expenditures up to a maximum of \$1500.