

Coach/Leader Development/Support Policy

The importance of coach/leader training and development is recognized. In advance of training events, the Board may authorize coach/leader attendance at training institutions, seminars, workshops, conferences, within the limits of funds available for this purpose.

The Board shall, at the beginning of each ski season, establish a coach/leader/instructor support budget.

The club may consider sponsoring a coach/leader for more than one training event per year depending on: course offerings; the amount of time the coach/leader has contributed to the club; and funds available. Priority ranking for training will be according to senority.

Costs which may be covered include:

- Air transportation (excursion, return)
- Ground transportation, between airport and accommodation) @ cost
- Accommodation @ cost
- Meals @ cost
- Registration fees
- Materials fees
- Gas @ cost

The club may request other agencies to share coach/leader training costs, especially if these other agencies share the benefit of trained coaches/leaders.

All coaches who benefit from club sponsored training shall provide a written narrative and financial report (including receipts) on the event, along with a statement of expenditures, to be submitted to the Board within 30 days of return from the event.

The YKSC will cover costs for coach travel, accommodation, meals and incidental costs to all events where the coach provides coaching support for club athletes.

Coaches/leaders/instructors shall be informed of this policy by being provided with a copy of same. In addition, this policy shall be communicated to the general membership at least once a year through email newsletter.

Of priority for all leaders/coaches is basic first aid training/certification.

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To meet insurance requirements and to maintain safe & quality instruction, the Board expects the following training of club leaders; coaches; instructors:

- 1. Jackrabbit leaders should aspire to Jackrabbit leader certification:
- 2. Coaches should aspire to level 1 National Coaches Certification Program certification (successful completion/challenge to theory; technical; and practical components);
- 3. Senior coaches shall have at least level 1 National Coaching Certification Program certification (successful completion/challenge to theory; technical; and practical components); and,
- 4. Ski instructors should aspire to Canadian Association of Nordic Ski Instructors 1.

Successful completion of basic certification shall make people eligible for training at higher levels of certification. (This requirement may be waived where training protocols allow).

Where numbers dictate and resources are available, priority will be to sponsor on site group instruction.

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