

Section: PROGRAM
Topic: Team of the Year
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This award will be presented annually to Special Olympics Saskatchewan's most outstanding sporting team

NOMINATIONS

Each Special Olympics accredited district/community is encouraged to nominate a team who they feel is worthy of receiving this prestigious award. Nominations are accepted from any SOS member in good standing including: the executive committee, coaches, volunteers, athletes, Board of Directors, Sport Advisory Committee, and the provincial office by the annual deadline date. All nominations must be accompanied by a Nomination Form (attached), a minimum of one (1) letter of reference and maximum of two (2), and either a digital photo OR a passport sized photo.

*NOTE: Any additional forms/letters of support **will not** be considered by the Selection Committee when reviewing the nominations.*

The Special Olympics Saskatchewan Awards committee will carefully review the nominations and select the winners.

AWARD CRITERIA

Nominations will be judged on the strength of their submission by the criteria described in the following:

- A 'team' is considered to be composed of **2** or more athletes registered in a Special Olympics community sport program that is considered active throughout the program year.
- Be successful in their sport, doing their best to achieve their athletic goal.
- Exemplify the true spirit of Special Olympics
- Display good sportsmanship and be considerate of fellow athletes, coaches and officials
- Individual athletes and teams that are selected and who compete as a team at the national level **ARE ELIGIBLE** to be nominated for this award (Team of the Year)

AWARD RECOGNITION

- This award will be presented to the successful recipients at the SOS Provincial Awards Banquet held annually.
- The recipients will receive a Team of the Year plaque.
- The recipients' team name will be added to the Special Olympics Saskatchewan Recognition plaque.
- The recipient and nominees may be highlighted and publicly recognized by Special Olympics Saskatchewan for their achievement(s). This may include such things as; postings on social media sites, newspaper/journal articles, community newsletters, etc.
- The team will be further considered for the National Team of the Year award.