



Welcome to the 2024 application process for the SaskFirst team for Waterski and Wakeboard Saskatchewan. Congratulations to each athlete on a successful season, our team had amazing growth and success due to the hard work of the athletes and the dedication and knowledge of our coaches. It is going to be an amazing season in 2024.

There are some changes to the process of application for 2024 SaskFirst team. These changes are intended to provide a better understanding of the support the association is able to provide the athlete for training and competition costs. It is also intended to create time for fundraising opportunities in the offseason to leverage the success of our programs and to highlight the national and international success of our athletes on the SaskFirst team.

The most noticeable change is the date for application, moving it from the spring, to November. The main reasons for this change are:

- The 2023 competition season is now complete
- to secure next season's team coach well in advance
- for the team coach will work with the athletes named to the team during the offseason starting in January to help plan the periodization and the overall season plan for training and competitions
- the athletes will coordinate with their coach for development if there is an opportunity to train out of province before the ice melts
- the coaches and athletes can plan the season based on the tournament schedule and objectives for athletes pursuing national team placement.
- to plan next season's camps and book external coaches if necessary
- Training cards amounts for each HP SaskFirst qualifying team member based on CRC / WRL scores in each discipline of competency, Canadian and world rankings for the respective division.
- Extra time allows team members to plan and execute fundraising in the offseason to help with the costs for their training and competition fees

Your application and scores from 2023 will be reviewed, and you will have the opportunity to be placed on:

- the High Performance Team
- the Development Team
- the Prospects Team

The responsibilities for each team member are outlined in the application, and the potential for assistance at each level of the team is described in the policy manual on our website.

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