



DARTS ALBERTA POLICY

GRASSROOTS MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

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1. In order to recognize grassroots level competitors and to encourage these competitors to compete at a higher level of competition, Darts Alberta shall offer an Annual Grassroots Mentorship Program through the Darts Alberta Member Leagues.
2. Acknowledging that Member Leagues with a larger membership base would likely have more grassroots level competitors, each Member League are encouraged to select and submit the following number of most improved grassroots level competitors to be recognized by Darts Alberta:
 - 2.1 25 to 99 League Members
 - o 5 Grassroots Competitors to be nominated (3 men and 2 women)
 - o 1 Grassroots Competitor will be randomly drawn from all nominees
 - 2.2 100 to 249 League Members
 - o 10 Grassroots Competitors to be nominated (5 men and 5 women)
 - o 2 Grassroots Competitor will be randomly drawn (1 man and 1 woman)
 - 2.3 250+ League Members
 - o 15 Grassroots Competitors to be nominated (8 men and 7 women)
 - o 3 Grassroots Competitor will be randomly drawn (1 man, 1 woman, 1 from remaining nominees)
3. Elite level players shall be ineligible for this recognition program and are defined as:
 - 3.1 Any Darts Alberta member listed within the top 64 on the current official WDF ranking list.
 - 3.2 Any Darts Alberta member listed within the top 32 on the current official NDFC ranking list.
 - 3.3 Any Darts Alberta member listed within the top 16 men on the most recent April 30th Darts Alberta ranking list.
 - 3.4 Any Darts Alberta member listed within the top 8 women on the most recent April 30th Darts Alberta ranking list.
 - 3.5 Any member of Team Alberta that qualified or competed in an Adult National Championship in the previous 2 years.
 - 3.6 Any Darts Alberta member that competed in an International Darts Championship in the previous 5 years, excluding Open Tournaments.
4. The Member Leagues shall be responsible for their selection process.
5. Nomination forms shall be submitted to Darts Alberta for each most-improved grassroots level competitor.
6. Each Grassroots Award recipient shall receive:
 - 6.1 A letter and information regarding the award
 - 6.2 A Certificate of Accomplishment
 - 6.3 Paid entry into the Singles Event at an NDFC or Darts Alberta Ranked Tournament in their resident city
 - 6.4 Paired with an Elite Athlete to compete in a Doubles Event at an NDFC or Darts Alberta Ranked Tournament in their resident city, including paid entry into the event
7. Awards shall be presented by a designated representative of Darts Alberta, at the Annual Awards Banquet of the nominating league. Where an annual banquet does not exist, alternate arrangements for recognition can be made.
8. A selected group of Elite competitors shall be solicited to participate in a 'mentorship of grassroots competitors' program.



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9. Recognizing that Grassroots competitors with little or no Ranked Tournament experience may be more comfortable competing at an event located close to home with the support of their peers, the Elite Competitors shall travel to a Ranked Tournament hosted in the resident city of the Grassroots competitor.
10. The Grassroots competitor shall be teamed with a traveling Elite competitor to compete in a Mixed Doubles, Men's Doubles or Women's Doubles event, while providing coaching and mentoring to the Grassroots competitor.
11. In lieu of providing this mentorship and recognizing that the Elite competitor will be teamed with a lower caliber competitor, the Elite competitor shall be compensated by receiving 50% of the actual cost of one hotel room night (to a maximum of \$50.00) per event in which they are providing mentorship.
12. The Doubles competition entry fee will be paid for both the Elite and Grassroots competitor.
13. Although it is preferred that the tournament be a National Ranked Tournament, should a National Ranked Tournament not be hosted in the Grassroots competitor's area, a Darts Alberta Ranked Tournament would be considered an accepted higher level of competition.
14. The pairing of Elite and Grassroots competitors would be at the discretion of the President and/or Secretary and all arrangements will be coordinated directly with the Secretary.
15. Reimbursement of the award shall be provided to the grassroots and elite competitors upon arrival at the Tournament.