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## **Athletes' Commission**

### What is the Athletes' Commission?

The JBSF established an Athletes' Commission with the view to providing a process to promote open communication with and feedback from, athletes. The JBSF believes that athletes, present and past, can make a very valuable contribution to the sport.

The Athletes' Commission is:

- » A non-political group which can offer advice and assistance to JBSF on matters and issues of relevance to athletes
- » A promotional tool available for the purposes of promoting the sport to sponsors, the media and the general public
- » A resource for JBSF to enable athletes to be drawn on to provide advice and feedback on matters relevant to athletes
- » A group that can facilitate and promote high standards of sportsmanship and ethical performance when competing/participating at the national or international level
- » A group that can relate immediately to athletes competing at the highest level and establish relationships to promote feedback to JBSF on matters concerning elite athletes. This group will have a national focus and deal with national and international matters.

# Roles and responsibilities of the Athletes' Commission

The roles and responsibilities of the Athletes' Commission are:

- » Establish open lines of communication with athletes to identify issues relevant to the various sports that need to be addressed by the Commission
- » Examine the JBSF Business Plan and give feedback to the Board on areas of improvement and/or concerns that require input from athletes
- » Assist in the formulation of policy for athlete support programs
- » To provide support for athletes to achieve their personal best
- » Assist athletes in their retirement from competition/participation in the sport and ensure that

they receive the appropriate recognition and assistance through this stage

- » Ensure the all policies related to athletes are followed
- » Provide regular reports and recommendations to the JBSF Board on issues of relevance to athletes
- » Assist in promoting and representing the JBSF
- » Undertake special projects that may be relevant to the Commission and their Terms of Reference.

Note: This is not a conclusive list and roles and responsibilities may be changed from time to time as determined by the Board.

#### **Operating guidelines**

The operating guidelines of the Athletes' Commission are:

- » The term of office for Commission members will be four (4) years
- » One formal meeting per year, other meetings to be called on a needs basis
- » Meetings on an informal basis monthly.

The Commission will have access to the following communication tools:

- » The JBSF website will include a special page on the Athletes' Commission with an ability for athletes to email the Commission with any of their concerns and/or view points
- » Commission members to receive the JBSF Board decisions, technical bulletins and events/ team reports.

### Athletes Commission 2018-2022

The current Athletes' Commission members are:

Carrie Russell Nimroy Turgott Winston Watt Audra Segree Jazmine Fenlator Jimmy

