

<b>SECTION:</b>	<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>4000-17</b>
<b>TOPIC:</b>	<b>Male and Female Athlete of the Year</b>	
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This award will be presented annually to Saskatchewan's most outstanding male and female athletes.

### **Nominations:**

Each Special Olympics accredited zone/community is encouraged to nominate athletes who they feel are 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 Council, and the provincial office** by (annual deadline date). All nominations must be accompanied by a Nomination Form (attached), a minimum of one (1) letter of reference and either a digital photo OR a passport sized photo (hard copy).

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

### **Award Criteria:**

- Nominations will be judged on the strength and quality of their submission by the criteria described in the following athlete's oath:

*“Let me win,  
But if I can not win  
Let me be brave in the attempt.”*

- Please include information related to the nominee's success in his/her sport (i.e. doing their personal best to achieve their athletic goal), and improvement in athletic skill and/or personal growth and development.
- The nominee must also display sportsmanship, and be considerate of fellow athletes, coaches, and officials.

### **Award Recognition:**

- This award will be presented to the successful recipients at the Provincial Awards Banquet held annually.
- The recipients will receive an Athlete of the Year plaque.
- The recipient's name will be added to Special Olympics Saskatchewan Memorial Plaque.
- The recipients will be recognized in the Special Olympics Saskatchewan newsletter.
- The athlete will be further considered for the National Male/Female Athlete of the Year award.

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**Nomination Form**

Nominee's Name: _____	
Address: _____	
City: _____	Postal Code: _____
Telephone Number: (H) _____	(E-mail) _____
Gender: (Please Circle)      Male                  Female	

Please complete the following information in support of this nomination.

**I.      ATHLETIC AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT**

**a. Please provide specific examples of how this athlete has demonstrated improvement and in athletic skill and achieved success in sport (i.e. personal best, awards, placements at events, athletic goals, etc.).**

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**b. How has the athlete demonstrated personal growth and development i.e. self-discipline, independence, self confidence, etc.?**

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**II. SPORTSMANSHIP**

**a. How has the athlete exemplified the true spirit of Special Olympics? Please provide specific examples (i.e. sportsmanship, community participation, commitment to sport, respect for oneself and others, etc.).**

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**Please complete the nomination form and return by the deadline date of each program year.**

<b>Nominated by:</b> _____		
<b>Address:</b> _____		
<b>City/Town:</b> _____	<b>Postal Code</b> _____	
<b>Phone Number: (H)</b> _____	<b>(B)</b> _____	
<b>E-mail:</b> _____		
_____	_____	_____
<b>(Signature)</b>	<b>Position relating to SOS</b>	<b>Date</b>
_____	_____	_____
<b>(Witness Signature)</b>	<b>Position relating to SOS</b>	<b>Date</b>

<b>FOR OFFICE ADMIN ONLY:</b>		
<b>DATE RECEIVED:</b>		<b>Sports Registered In:</b>
<b>MEMBER SINCE:</b>		
<b>NCCP#:</b>		
<b>INITIALS:</b>		

