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EVERYONE PLAYS FUND
REGISTRATION ASSISTANCE TERMS

1. Agreement to Terms

These Everyone Plays Fund Registration Assistance Terms ("Terms") govern any registration assistance awarded by Seattle Pride Hockey Association, Inc., a Washington nonprofit corporation with a mailing address of PO Box 98256, Des Moines, WA 98198-0256 ("SPHA").

By accepting an award of Registration Assistance, the individual or authorized team representative receiving the award ("Recipient," "you," or "your") acknowledges that they have read, understood, and agreed to these Terms.

Submitting an application does not create a binding agreement, guarantee an award, or entitle an applicant to assistance. These Terms become applicable only after SPHA provides written notice of an award and the Recipient accepts that award.

2. Purpose of the Everyone Plays Fund

The **Everyone Plays Fund** ("Fund") is a community-supported initiative designed to reduce financial barriers to participation in eligible SPHA programs.

The Fund provides need-based **Registration Assistance** rather than merit-based scholarships. Its purpose is to help eligible players and teams participate in SPHA tournaments, leagues, training opportunities, travel programs, and other approved activities.

Registration Assistance is contingent upon:

- Available funds;
- Applicant eligibility;
- Demonstrated financial need;
- The cost and requirements of the applicable SPHA program;
- The number and nature of requests received; and
- Other factors SPHA determines are relevant to the Fund's purpose.

Awards are not guaranteed and may vary in amount, timing, and availability.

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3. Eligible SPHA Programs

Registration Assistance may be available for SPHA programs identified as eligible at the time of application, including, but not limited to:

- Seattle Pride Classic;
- Frozen Pride Classic;
- Seattle Pride Hockey League;
- Seattle Pride Hockey Training;
- Learn to Play programs (hosted by SPHA or a partner);
- Rain City Rush travel opportunities; and
- Other SPHA programs approved for assistance.

Program eligibility and funding availability may change throughout the year.

An award may be used only for the SPHA program identified in the written award notice.

4. Application and Review Process

Applicants must submit a complete Registration Assistance Application using the form and process established by SPHA.

Applications must be received by any deadline established for the applicable program. SPHA may decline to consider late, incomplete, inaccurate, or otherwise ineligible applications.

Applications will be reviewed by SPHA's designated **Everyone Plays Fund Committee** or other authorized reviewers. Decisions may be based on:

- Demonstrated financial need;
- The effect that receiving or not receiving assistance would have on participation;
- The amount requested;
- The amount the applicant or team can reasonably contribute;
- Eligibility for the requested SPHA program;
- Available funding;
- Previous assistance received;
- The number of applicants;
- Conflicts of interest; and
- Other relevant circumstances.

SPHA may request additional information while reviewing an application. The applicant must respond by the deadline stated in SPHA's request. Failure to respond may result in the application being closed or denied.

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All decisions are final. There is no formal appeal process, although SPHA may reconsider a decision if material information was unavailable or entered incorrectly during the original review.

5. Award Notification and Acceptance

SPHA will notify applicants of its decision primarily through the email address provided in the application. SPHA may also contact applicants by telephone or another method when additional information or timely action is required.

An award notice will identify:

- The applicable SPHA program;
- The amount or percentage of Registration Assistance awarded;
- Any amount remaining due from the Recipient;
- The deadline for accepting the award;
- The deadline for completing registration; and
- Any award-specific conditions.

The Recipient must accept or decline the award by the stated deadline. An award that is not timely accepted may be withdrawn and returned to the Fund.

6. Amount and Application of Assistance

Registration Assistance may cover all or part of an eligible registration fee.

The amount awarded will be determined by SPHA and may be different from the amount requested. SPHA does not guarantee full assistance.

Assistance will ordinarily be applied directly as:

- A registration credit;
- A fee waiver;
- A discount;
- A payment by SPHA to the applicable program; or
- Another noncash registration adjustment approved by SPHA.

Recipients remain responsible for any registration balance not covered by the award.

7. No Cash Value or Reimbursement

Registration Assistance has no cash value.

Awards will not be:

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- Paid directly to the Recipient in cash;
- Exchanged for cash;
- Reimbursed to a Recipient for costs previously paid, unless expressly approved in writing by SPHA;
- Transferred to another person or team;
- Sold, assigned, or exchanged; or
- Applied to a different SPHA program without written approval.

The Recipient may accept or decline the award only as offered unless SPHA approves a modification.

8. Donor Preferences

Donors may be permitted to express a preference that their contribution support:

- A particular SPHA program;
- An eligible player;
- An eligible team; or
- The area of greatest need.

A donor's preference is advisory and does not guarantee that a contribution will be awarded to the preferred player, team, or program.

SPHA retains exclusive legal control and discretion over all charitable contributions and all Registration Assistance decisions. Every prospective Recipient must independently satisfy SPHA's eligibility and review requirements.

If a preferred recipient or team:

- Does not apply;
- Is ineligible;
- Declines assistance;
- Withdraws from the program;
- Is already fully funded; or
- Cannot otherwise receive the award,

SPHA may redirect the contribution within the Everyone Plays Fund.

9. Availability of Funding

SPHA cannot predict or guarantee the amount of money that will be contributed to the Fund.

The number of awards may be limited and could be zero if sufficient donations are not received.

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SPHA may:

- Award partial assistance;
- Prioritize applicants with greater demonstrated need;
- Establish maximum award amounts;
- Limit assistance to particular programs;
- Close applications when funding is exhausted; or
- Carry available funds forward for future awards, subject to any applicable donor restrictions.

10. Expenses Not Covered

Unless specifically included in the written award notice, Registration Assistance covers only the approved SPHA registration cost.

The Recipient remains responsible for expenses including, but not limited to:

- Transportation and travel;
- Lodging;
- Meals;
- USA Hockey or other membership fees;
- Hockey equipment and protective gear;
- Skates and sticks;
- Tape, wax, and other supplies;
- Apparel and merchandise;
- Concessions and personal purchases;
- Parking;
- Baggage fees;
- Medical expenses;
- Insurance; and
- Any other cost not expressly identified in the award notice.

11. Membership and Registration Requirements

Recipients must satisfy all registration and eligibility requirements for the applicable SPHA program.

When required, this may include maintaining a current USA Hockey membership and providing a valid membership number before registration.

Registration Assistance does not waive membership, age, roster, skill-level, conduct, insurance, or other participation requirements unless SPHA expressly states otherwise in writing.

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12. No Employment or Service Requirement

Registration Assistance is not compensation for employment or services.

Recipients are not required to perform volunteer work, event staffing, committee service, promotional activity, or any other labor in exchange for receiving assistance.

Recipients may be invited to volunteer or otherwise engage with SPHA, but participation must be voluntary. Choosing not to volunteer will not affect an existing award or future eligibility.

This separation is important because federal guidance generally treats genuine nonprofit volunteering as service performed freely and without contemplation or receipt of compensation.

13. Participation and Withdrawal

Recipients are expected to make a good-faith effort to participate fully in the SPHA program for which assistance was awarded.

Recipients must promptly notify SPHA if they:

- Can no longer participate;
- No longer require the assistance;
- Receive funding from another source;
- Need to change their registration; or
- Experience circumstances affecting their eligibility.

If a Recipient cancels, withdraws, fails to register, or does not participate, any unused Registration Assistance will return to the Everyone Plays Fund. It will not be paid to the Recipient, the team, or refunded to the donor.

SPHA may make reasonable exceptions for injury, illness, family emergencies, or other circumstances beyond the Recipient's control.

14. Conduct and Eligibility

Recipients must comply with all applicable SPHA policies, including codes of conduct, anti-discrimination requirements, tournament or league rules, safety standards, and participant expectations.

SPHA may cancel unused assistance or restrict future eligibility when a Recipient:

- Provides materially false or misleading information;
- Misuses an award;
- Engages in discriminatory, hateful, threatening, violent, or seriously disruptive conduct;

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- Is suspended or removed from an SPHA program for serious misconduct;
- Intentionally abandons participation without notifying SPHA; or
- Otherwise materially violates these Terms or SPHA policies.

Any restriction on future eligibility will be determined based on the nature and severity of the circumstances. SPHA may consider whether the conduct was intentional, repeated, harmful, or resolved through corrective action.

A routine hockey penalty, accidental injury, inability to continue playing, or good-faith withdrawal due to circumstances beyond the Recipient's control will not automatically result in future ineligibility.

15. Misrepresentation and Repayment

SPHA may revoke an award if it determines that the application contained materially false, incomplete, or misleading information.

When Registration Assistance was obtained through intentional misrepresentation or fraud, SPHA may require repayment of amounts already applied, to the extent permitted by law.

16. Confidentiality

SPHA will treat application information as confidential and will limit access to individuals involved in:

- Reviewing applications;
- Administering awards;
- Processing registration;
- Maintaining financial and organizational records; or
- Fulfilling legal, tax, audit, insurance, or compliance obligations.

SPHA cannot guarantee absolute confidentiality when disclosure is required by law, necessary to administer an award, or authorized by the applicant.

Recipients will not be publicly identified as receiving Registration Assistance without their explicit consent.

17. Stories, Photography, and Public Recognition

Receiving assistance does not require a Recipient to:

- Share a testimonial;
- Participate in fundraising;
- Be photographed or interviewed specifically as a funding recipient;
- Publicly disclose their financial circumstances; or

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- Allow SPHA to identify them as a Recipient.

SPHA may separately invite a Recipient to share their experience. Any public use of the Recipient's assistance story or identity requires separate and informed consent.

General program photography and media policies still apply to all registered participants, regardless of financial-assistance status.

18. Renewal and Future Assistance

Registration Assistance does not automatically renew.

Recipients must submit a new application for future assistance unless SPHA establishes a different process.

Receiving an award does not create an entitlement to assistance in another year or program.

SPHA may consider prior awards when attempting to provide equitable access to limited funding, but previous assistance will not automatically disqualify an applicant.

19. Taxes and Reporting

Registration Assistance is applied directly toward eligible registration costs and is not distributed as cash.

SPHA does not provide tax advice and does not guarantee any particular federal, state, or local tax treatment.

Recipients are responsible for consulting their own tax professional regarding personal tax consequences. SPHA may request additional information or issue tax documents if SPHA determines that reporting is legally required.

20. Administration and Interpretation

SPHA retains discretion to administer, interpret, and apply these Terms in a manner consistent with:

- The charitable purpose of the Everyone Plays Fund;
- Fair and equitable consideration of applicants;
- Applicable laws and regulations;
- Donor restrictions accepted by SPHA; and
- SPHA's organizational policies.

SPHA may adopt additional procedures, eligibility standards, award limits, deadlines, or safeguards that do not materially conflict with these Terms.

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21. Changes to the Terms

SPHA may revise these Terms for future applications and awards.

The version accepted by a Recipient will govern that Recipient's current award unless a change is required by law or is agreed to in writing.

22. Severability

If any provision of these Terms is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions will continue in effect to the greatest extent permitted by law.

23. Applicant Acknowledgment

By checking the acknowledgment box and submitting an application, the applicant confirms that:

- The information provided is accurate and complete to the best of their knowledge;
- They understand that submitting an application does not guarantee assistance;
- They authorize SPHA to review and verify information reasonably necessary to evaluate the request;
- They understand that assistance is subject to available funding and program eligibility; and
- If awarded assistance, they agree to comply with these Terms.

24. Contact Us

For questions about the Everyone Plays Fund, Registration Assistance applications, or these Terms, please contact SPHA at:

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