

Officials candidate travel bursary

Preamble:

The Officials Committee shall endeavour each year to provide referee development clinics and offer development tournament opportunities in each region of Ontario where fencing communities exist. It is recognized, however, that on any given year, some candidates may not be able to access the required clinics and development tournaments within their region. This travel bursary is established to **partially** relieve the disproportionate burden of cost that some candidates may be subject to, due to their area of residence. Funding for the bursary shall come from the OFA Officials Committee Budget.

In order to qualify:

- The applicant must be a registered candidate under stream C or D of the referee development program, the secretariat program, or the armoury program for the current competition season
- The applicant must apply for the bursary by completing the application form and submitting it to the Officials Committee at the latest 7 calendar days following the tournament/clinic (see application form)
- The development tournament/clinic for which the bursary is applied must be located more than 100km away (1-way driving distance) from the applicant's residence
- There must not be an equivalent development clinic or tournament within a 100km driving radius of the applicant's residence – alternately, the applicant must provide an acceptable explanation (including supporting documentation) for being unable to attend a tournament/clinic within that radius (e.g. conflicting qualifying competition, sickness, bereavement)
- In the case of development tournaments, the tournament organizer must be unwilling or unable to provide compensation for travel and accommodations for the applicant
- The applicant may receive a maximum of two candidate travel bursaries per competition season (period starting August 1st and ending on July 31st of the following calendar year)

Value:

The amount of the bursary shall be \$0.15 per km (single round trip between residence and venue), to a maximum of \$100.

Payment:

If the application form is received prior to the competition/clinic, the Officials Committee shall endeavour to issue the bursary on site. Otherwise, payment shall be mailed or e-transferred to the applicant within four calendar weeks of the application form being received.

Application form

Please submit the following documents within 7 calendar days of the clinic or competition to web@fencingontario.ca with the heading “OFA Officials Bursary Application”

Full Name: _____

CFF license #: _____

Date of application: _____

Mailing address: _____

Name and location of the competition/clinic: _____

Screen-Capture/image showing travel distance from residence to venue.

If applicable, a copy of correspondences from the competition organizer indicating that travel compensation is not offered.

If applicable, justification for not attending past/future clinics/competitions within 100km of residence.