



## 2024 Nova Scotia Support4Sport Awards Info Sheet

### ***Junior (U19) Female Athlete of the Year***

The Junior Female Athlete of the Year award recognizes an individual female squash athlete who has produced outstanding performances, achievements, or accomplishments in the past season. This individual possesses the qualities associated with performance excellence and sport achievement.

**Eligibility:** The athlete must be an active member of Squash Nova Scotia in the nomination year and be under the age of 19.

### ***Junior (U19) Male Athlete of the Year***

The Junior Male Athlete of the Year award recognizes an individual male squash athlete who has produced outstanding performances, achievements, or accomplishments in the past season. This individual possesses the qualities associated with performance excellence and sport achievement.

**Eligibility:** The athlete must be an active member of Squash Nova Scotia in the nomination year and be under the age of 19.

### ***Senior Female Athlete of the Year***

The Senior Female Athlete of the Year award recognizes an individual female squash athlete who has produced outstanding performances, achievements, or accomplishments in the past season. This individual possesses the qualities associated with performance excellence and sport achievement.

**Eligibility:** The athlete must be an active member of Squash Nova Scotia in the nomination year and be competing in open age group competition.

### ***Senior Male Athlete of the Year***

The Senior Male Athlete of the Year award recognizes an individual male squash athlete who has produced outstanding performances, achievements, or accomplishments in the past season. This individual possesses the qualities associated with performance excellence and sport achievement.

**Eligibility:** The athlete must be an active member of Squash Nova Scotia in the nomination year and be competing in open age group competition.



### ***Coach of the Year***

The Coach of the Year award recognizes the outstanding accomplishments of a squash coach to develop sport programming, foster participation, and support athletes who have produced outstanding performances in the past season.

**Eligibility:** The coach must be an active member of Squash Nova Scotia in the nomination year.

### ***Referee of the Year***

The Referee of the Year award recognizes the contribution of a referee who has made a significant and exemplary contribution to provincial, regional, national or international competitions in the past season. This referee has made significant strides towards developing as a dedicated, knowledgeable, and reliable official in the past year. This individual demonstrates dedication to leadership, contributions to local sport development, and is seen as an advocate for fair play and ethical behaviour in the sport.

**Eligibility:** The referee must be an active member of Squash Nova Scotia in the nomination year and have refereed at least two competitions.

### ***Volunteer of the Year***

The Volunteer of the Year award recognizes an individual who has made an exemplary contribution to squash. This is demonstrated by assisting at the club or Squash NS events on a regular basis.

**Eligibility:** The volunteer must be an active member of Squash Nova Scotia in the nomination year.

### ***Community Sport Organization (Club) of the Year***

This award recognizes community sport organizations for the incredible work they do to deliver sport opportunities to Nova Scotians. This award highlights the individuals and teams who have gone above and beyond their regular day-to-day operations to make a positive difference for participants. They strive for excellence in how they operate, how they collaborate, innovate, lead, and, in some cases, use sport as a tool to create positive social change.

**Eligibility:** The club must be affiliated with Squash Nova Scotia in the nomination year.

### ***Corporate Sponsor of the Year***

The Corporate Sponsor Award of the Year is presented to a Nova Scotia corporation that has significantly contributed to the development of squash in Nova Scotia.



### ***Sport Makes A Difference***

Any individual, group, organization, committee or similar body that creates, establishes or initiates an innovative program, competition or event, or demonstrates an outstanding example of fair play, is eligible for this award. Nominees do not need formal provincial sport organization (PSO) membership. Nominees for this award must be nominated by a PSO, must be compatible with the values and mission of Sport Nova Scotia, and be in good standing with member organizations. This award is based solely on the advancement of leading edge thinking that results in an improved sport system for Nova Scotians, and/or where exceptional merit has been demonstrated.