

# **Seaman Hotchkiss Hockey Foundation**

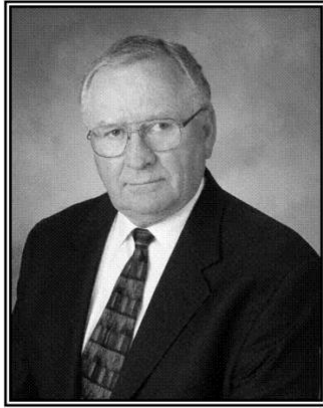
## **The Kenneth R. Stiles Memorial Scholarships**

### **Application Criteria**



**Deadline: 27 June 2025**

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The Kenneth R. Stiles Memorial Scholarship was established by the Seaman Hotchkiss Hockey Foundation (formerly Project 75) and Hockey Canada in recognition of Ken Stiles and his tremendous contribution to grassroots hockey in Canada. Through the vision and leadership of the Seaman Hotchkiss Hockey Foundation, many Hockey Canada development programs have received their start. The Hockey Canada Officiating Program of Excellence is an excellent example of this support.

The Seaman Hotchkiss Hockey Foundation is committed to providing Canadian student athletes and officials with access to financial resources to support their pursuit of post-secondary education. Ken Stiles was a big part of the Project 75 organization for many years and was a catalyst in planning and designing an initiative aimed at providing players and officials who demonstrate excellence in sport and commitment to education, access to a unique scholarship program.

Kenneth Roy Stiles was born in Didsbury, Alberta. He began his education riding a horse to a one-room schoolhouse three miles from the family farm near Didsbury. He attended the Vermilion School of Agriculture as well as the University of Alberta, where he earned a Bachelor's Degree in Agricultural Economics.

Ken's career included farming and ranching, management of growing and successful law firms, senior management positions, and directorships in a variety of Alberta industries. He played a significant role in the support of many Hockey Canada initiatives. A former leader of the Meadowbank 4-H Beef Club, he was also a founding member of the Pekisko Landowners' Association and was dedicated to the preservation of fescue grasslands on the Eastern Slopes of the Rocky Mountains. He is among the last of a generation who knows what it was to farm with horses. All who knew him respected his warmth, intelligence, honour, sage counsel and the unbreakable value of his handshake.

# Application Guidelines

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**Female Officiating Awards:** Up to \$10,000 in annual awards

**Male Officiating Awards:** Up to \$10,000 in annual awards

**Criteria:**     **The applicant must be:**

- a Canadian citizen currently residing in Canada
- “in good standing” with their Hockey Canada Member organization
- will be attending an accredited post-secondary institute (university, college, technical school) in the 2025-26 academic year
- in good academic standing in the current academic year, or the most recent academic year in which the individual attended school

**Officials must be:**

- a current or past participant in the Hockey Canada Officiating Program of Excellence
- OR currently holding a development position (e.g. Referee-in-Chief) with a Member or Local Hockey Association officiating program, AND has held such a position for a minimum of one full season prior to the time of application.

**Documents:** All applications must be accompanied by the following documentation:

- A copy of the applicant’s most recent transcript from a secondary school or post-secondary institution
- A letter of support from the applicant’s Member Referee-in-Chief
- A written personal statement explaining why you are a deserving recipient of this scholarship, including a description of why you entered officiating and what your future aspirations are in officiating (500 words maximum).  
*NOTE: Les candidat(e)s francophones peuvent soumettre leur déclaration en français.*

All documents must be uploaded within the application form.

**Evaluation:** Applications will be assessed based upon officiating involvement, academic achievement, and proposed course of study.

**Submission:** [LINK TO ONLINE APPLICATION FORM](#)

**Deadline:** Application must be received by Hockey Canada on or before 5:00pm (MT) on 27 June 2025.