

# **Financial Support for Members Taking Non-Section Courses**

The following outlines the rules that govern to what extent the ACC Vancouver Section will contribute to course fees that ACC Vancouver members are required to pay when they want to take part in courses like the North Face Course, UIAA leadership courses, etc.

## **I. Eligible Courses**

1. This policy only applies to courses that are not offered by the ACC Vancouver Section.
2. The course content must be such that members taking part in the course will learn skills that are valuable for leading trips for the Vancouver Section. Examples are The North Face course, UIAA volunteer leadership courses, Wilderness First Aid courses, etc.

## **II. Extend of the ACC Vancouver Contribution**

1. Members who have led at least three trips that were posted in the ACC Vancouver trip schedule (iCal) can apply for a section contribution of up to 1/3 of the course fee.
2. Members who post in iCal and lead at least three trips after the course can apply for a section contribution of up to 1/3 of the course fee.
3. Members can apply for both contributions sections II.1 and II.2.

## **III. Application Date and Content**

The application for financial contribution from the ACC Vancouver Section must be received by the section no later than the date of the last ACC Vancouver Executive meeting before the course date. The application should mention whether the member applies for a contribution under sections II.1 or II.2 or both. In the case of II.1 the application should list the trips the applicant had posted and led for the ACC Vancouver Section. In the case of II.2 the applicant should provide a list of trips that he/she is planning to lead after the course.

## **IV. Approval of Application**

1. All applications will be reviewed by the executive of the ACC Vancouver Section. Criteria for approval are availability of funds, suitability of the led and/or proposed trips, suitability of the course (see section I.2 above), etc.
2. If the section approves an application for a financial contribution under section II.1 the applicant will receive the funds, if possible, before the course date.
3. If the section approves an application for a financial contribution under section II.2, the funds will be made available after the proposed trips have been led.