Paddlers Committee Training Subsidy Information

The Boston Paddlers Committee (PC) offers a variety of workshops but we encourage our paddlers to improve their safety and leadership skills through professional training in order to become more effective, impactful, and safer Leaders and Instructors.

To encourage leaders and instructors to take additional training, the Boston PC has instituted a subsidy policy for tuition-assistance of PC approved courses.

To Qualify for Reimbursement, a Leader must:
1. Lead three PC trips within a 2-year period for 1 course, five trips within a 2-year period for 2 courses. For ACA instructor Certification courses, it maybe requested that one trip be an instructional.
2. Be a current member of the AMC
3. Appear on the PC Leaders List
4. Have taken our Leadership Workshop.

Workshops Qualifying for Reimbursement:
1. Examples of courses that qualify include, but are not limited to: ACA Instructor Certification, Swift Water Rescue, CPR and Wilderness First Aid, Map and Compass, and instructional courses run by AMC PC.
2. Any request must be approved prior to registration for the course by the chair of the activity (i.e. sea kayak, whitewater or flat water) and the PC chair(s).

Financial and Program Limits:
1. A Leader may be reimbursed for two-thirds the cost of the course, with reimbursement capped at $100 ($50 from the PC, $50 from the Boston Chapter) per course.
2. A leader may be reimbursed through this program twice in a calendar year. Two trips must be led for one course, 5 trips for 2 courses - all within a 2-year period (can include paddling season preceding or after the course), and all trip reports must have been submitted.

Reimbursement Process:
1. To receive reimbursement, the Leader must provide proof of expenses and completion of course. If non-AMC PC course, include name of instructor and email/phone number.
2. Leader must submit for reimbursement within 90 days of completion of the course or completion of the trip leading requirements to the Subsidy Administrator (Jeff Pacuska, jpacuska@yahoo.com).
3. The Subsidy Administrator will direct the PC Treasurer to send reimbursement.

Record Keeping:
The Subsidy Administrator will keep a list of Leaders who have been reimbursed, date and amount of reimbursement, and name of course.