



Ottawa Titans Water Polo Loblaws Gift Card Program

In mid-1999 the Titans Water Polo Association began participating in the Loblaws gift card program. Overall, this program was viewed as highly successful as it brought us a relatively easy stream of funds to help families offset the costs of water polo. We continue to offer this program as an option to families wishing to offset a portion of their fundraising fees.

Summary of the Loblaws Program

- Loblaws offers this as a fundraising program to minor sports clubs and not-for-profit organizations. Based on the Club purchasing a minimum bulk purchase of \$20,000 each month, we save 5% on the purchase, and we pass this on to you as an option for paying your registration fees.
- For every \$100 contribution to the program, you will receive one \$100 Loblaws Gift Card.
- Cards can be used at any Loblaws 'family' of stores (e.g. Independent Grocer and others)
- Cards have the dollar value pre-loaded. Just hand it to the cashier, who will scan the card (or scan yourself at a self checkout) to debit the total value of your purchases. Your tape receipt will indicate the value left on the card.

Commitment

- **Participation in the Loblaws gift card program is optional.** You commit to purchase \$6000 of Loblaws gift cards over the season, which will lower your total registration fees by \$300 (5% of the Loblaws purchase).
- If you choose to participate, post-dated cheques totaling \$6000 are payable at registration. The amount of \$6000 can be divided over any number of months, from September through to July (inclusive), provided the amounts for each month's purchase are in increments of \$100. Cheques (separate from registration cheques) should be dated the first of each month, and are payable to '*Titans Water Polo*'.
- Gift cards will be available at one of your child's team practices in the first week of each month, and will be distributed by a volunteer.
- Note that these purchases are NOT included in the receipt you will get for the Children's Fitness Tax Credit (but you will still have the maximum tax credit allowed of \$500, even without the Loblaws program).