International Atlantic Salmon Research Board



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Voluntary contributions offered by individuals or other interested parties in accordance with NASCO's Financial Rule 7.2 may be accepted to the International Atlantic Salmon Research Fund provided that:

- (1) the Board shall decide if the purpose of the contribution is consistent with the purpose of the Fund;
- (2) voluntary contributions from individuals or other interested parties may be accepted for research in relation to the causes of marine mortality of Atlantic salmon and the opportunities to counteract this mortality. (Provided this criterion and criterion 1) are met, a donor may direct the contribution to specific research);
- (3) those offering the voluntary contribution recognise that acceptance of the contribution does not signify that the Board endorses the products, aims or objectives of those making the donations;
- (4) those offering the voluntary contributions be able to demonstrate, through their policies and actions, positive business ethical standards around leadership, honesty, transparency, integrity, fairness and environmental sustainability;
- (5) those offering the voluntary contributions be able to demonstrate a genuine concern for the natural environment and have a focus on its protection and conservation, including the mitigation of their carbon footprint;
- (6) the Board will not enter into agreements (funding or others) where clauses may be perceived as restricting the Board's ability to achieve its goals and objectives;
- (7) the Board reserves the right to object publicly to any Partner's activity where it might impact on wild Atlantic salmon or the habitat it occupies;
- (8) those offering the voluntary contributions may not attach conditions to the contribution that are inconsistent with the rules and procedures of the Board;
- (9) voluntary contributions do not confer any rights to participate in or influence the general work of NASCO;
- (10) those offering voluntary contributions may not use NASCO's or the Board's name and / or logo without prior approval from the Secretary; they may, however, indicate their general support for the objectives of NASCO or the Board;
- (11) those offering voluntary contributions accept these conditions in writing prior to the contribution being accepted.

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