Awards FAQs

Q:  I want to donate my cash award to SFB. How does that work and do I still have to fill out a W9 form?
A: Yes, you still have to fill out a W9 form. To donate your winnings to SFB, the cleanest way to do so is to accept the check from SFB, deposit it in your own account, then send your personal check made out to SFB back to headquarters. At the end of the year you will receive a 1099 form from headquarters showing the amount you received for your cash award, and a separate letter from headquarters verifying that you donated the full amount back to the Society. The donation is 100% tax deductible that way, and the accountants and auditors have an established paper trail for what transpired.

Q: I am only receiving reimbursement for my travel expenses. Do I need to fill out a W9?
A: No

Q: I am not a U.S. resident, and earn my income and pay my taxes in another country. Do I need to fill out a W9?
A: No, but there may be a form required by your country of residence.

Q: My award nomination required me to submit a manuscript and abstract to the nominations website. When I was chosen for the award, I was informed that I should submit an abstract for the annual meeting. Do I still need to do this on the abstract submission website, or can I assume SFB already has it?
A: You will still need to submit your abstract to the abstract submission website, so it can be assigned a number and be included on the lists for review and session planning.

Q: I just won the Founders Award and have been requested to submit a manuscript for consideration by JBMR.
A: How long should it be? 3 – 10 pages
When is it due? Before the annual meeting.
Can it have co-authors? Yes, if that is what you would like.
What topic should it be? Whatever you choose to talk about during your award presentation talk at the meeting.

Q: I am to receive up to $500 in travel expense reimbursement. How do I go about getting this?
A: Complete an expense reimbursement form and provide headquarters with a fax or copy of your receipt(s) proving at least $500 was spent (such as airfare). Staff will process a voucher for you and a check will be mailed to the address we have on file for you in our database. If you want it mailed somewhere else, be sure to specify that when you send the copy of your receipt(s). If your travel costs were less than $500, provide copies of all receipts and you will be reimbursed for them.