



Section:	2. Meetings
Subpart:	2.3. Sponsorships
Policy No.:	2.3.1.
Title:	Hospitality Suites
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Hospitality Suites

Purpose: To establish a policy for recognition/non-recognition of hospitality suites at NCWM events.

Background: Prior to incorporating an annual outing at the NCWM Annual Meetings, it was common for companies to host hospitality suites. This became a very expensive proposition for the companies as they competed with each other for visitors to their suites. The "outing" was established as a joint effort between NCWM and its associate members to share the cost to provide a venue for socializing and alleviate the competition among associate members.

This effectively reduced the hosting of hospitality suites; however, they still occur from time to time. On some occasions, members have publically thanked the hosts of such suites. There is concern that we could see a resurgence of hospitality suites since the "outing" is funded now completely with NCWM funds as of 2009.

The NCWM cannot prohibit hospitality suites sponsored by private interests. This policy is established to avoid encouraging them.

Policy:

1. The following statement will appear in the meeting brochures and agendas: "This agenda reflects the events officially sanctioned by NCWM. Any events outside those listed in the Conference agenda are not sanctioned by NCWM."