

## Wyoming Campaign Contribution Limits for 2015-2016

	To Candidate or Candidate's Campaign Committee	To Political Party	To Political Action Committee
<b>Individual</b> <i>may give</i>	No more than \$2,500 per election <sup>1</sup> to any candidate for <u>statewide</u> office  No more than \$1,500 per election to any candidate for <u>nonstatewide</u> office  W.S. 22-25-102(c)	No Limit <sup>2</sup>	There are no limits on what an individual can give to a PAC.  However, if a donor earmarks a contribution for a specific candidate, the individual limits per candidate per election apply.
<b>Political Party Committee</b> <i>may give</i>	No Limit	No Limit	No Limit
<b>Political Action Committee (PAC)</b> <i>may give</i>	No limit on contributions to <u>statewide</u> candidates <sup>3</sup>  No more than \$5,000 per election to any candidate for nonstatewide office  W.S. 22-25-102(m)	No Limit	No Limit
<b>Corporation, Union, Partnership, Professional Association or Civic, Fraternal or Religious Group</b>	<p>Organizations are <b>prohibited</b> from making contributions (direct or indirect) to candidates, candidate committees, PACs, and political parties with the following exceptions.</p> <p>These entities may:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Make <i>independent</i> expenditures for speech expressly advocating the election or defeat of a candidate (W.S. 22-25-102(k)(i));</li> <li>2) Bear any portion of a PAC's administrative costs or costs of soliciting contributions (W.S. 22-25-102(k)(ii));</li> <li>3) Make contributions to support or oppose ballot propositions, initiative or referendum petition drives.</li> </ol> <p>A non-profit (501)(c) organization should consult an attorney, an accountant, or the Internal Revenue Service before making contributions to an initiative or referendum drive to avoid jeopardizing its tax status.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">For Independent Expenditures, see W.S. 22-25-102(k)(i) and WS 22-25-110.</p>		

<sup>1</sup>The primary, general, and special elections are deemed separate elections.

<sup>2</sup>No Limit "...provided the contributions are available to use as the appropriate party authorities choose and are not exclusively dedicated to any particular candidate. Contributions donated to a political party which are designated by the donor to be used only for a particular candidate and no other purpose are subject to the limitations..." W.S. 22-25-102(f)

<sup>3</sup> Contributions donated to a PAC which are designed by the donor to be used only for a particular candidate and no other purpose are subject to the individual contribution limitations. W.S. 22-25-102(m)