



### **BC Athletics In-Province SportsFunder Travel Program 2008-2009 – Year 3**

BC Athletics is pleased to announce the SportsFunder In-Province Travel Support Program for 2008-2009. The time period for support is October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009. The BC SportsFunder Program funded by the Lotteries Branch of the Ministry of Housing and Social Development is to support travel within British Columbia for Junior age athletes and under. For BC Athletics this program is targeted to assist athletes and supervising adults as members of BC Athletics Clubs or as Unattached Members of BC Athletics with the costs of travel within British Columbia to BC Championships, BC Team Trials, BC Club Competition and approved Training Camps.

**\*\*\*\*\* Special Notice:** The Provincial Government has notified all the Provincial Sport Organizations that the SportsFunder Lottery has not shown a profit and will not be able to support the In-Province Travel Program to the extent it has in previous years. The Sport Branch of Government has been able to provide some funding (\$12,750) and the BC Lotteries Branch has indicated that they will provide a “One Time Only Grant” to assist with this program for 2009. (For reference, in 2008 the available funding to BC Athletics for this program was \$55,000.). We anticipate knowing the total amount of funding for this program by mid to late September 2009 but do not expect it to be at the 2008 level.

#### **The Guidelines and Eligibility Criteria for the program:**

- **Eligibility:**
  - Athletes - Must be a BC Athletics Athlete (Competitive) Member
  - Athletes must be Junior age and under (9 to 19 as of Dec 31 of this year).  
**Note:** Approval was given for BC Athletics to include both the 18 and 19 years of age as the upper age limit for this program rather than split the Junior age group for the purpose of in-province travel support.
  - Have taken part in the BC Championships (Junior Development to Junior Championship), BC Team Trial (Junior, Youth, Midget 15), Club Meet, Provincial/Regional Training Camp, during the designated time period October 1, 2008 to September 30, 2009.
  - The travel of athletes of Junior Age and under
  - All clubs applying for support must be Club Members in good standing with BC Athletics.
  
- **Submissions:**
  - **All submissions for athletes who are members of a BC Athletics Club must be approved and submitted by the Club. Applications from individual club members will not be accepted.**

- **Travel**
  - The travel distance must be 150 km or more in ONE direction/300 km or more for the round trip
    - **Note:** Distance must be calculated using the Government of British Columbia Distance Calculator found at: <http://www.th.gov.bc.ca/popular-topics/distances/calculator.asp>
    - If your home departure point is not on this calculator please use the closest city as a reference and adjust the distance accordingly.
- **The program is for travel to:**
  - BC Athletics Championships:
    - Cross Country
      - 2008 Junior Development to Junior - Vancouver
    - Track & Field
      - 2009 Midget 15, Youth, Junior – Abbotsford
      - 2009 Junior Development Pentathlon – Coquitlam
      - 2009 Junior Development T&F – South Surrey
    - Race Walking
      - 2009 – Included in the Track & Field Championships – Junior Development to Junior
    - Road Racing
      - 2009 5 km Road Race Championship – Chemainus
      - 2009 8 km Road Race Championship - Saanichton
  - BC Team Trials
    - Included in the 2009 Championships
  - BC Team Training Camps – specific training camps as part of a BC Team Program. Example: Western Canada or Canada Games Training Camp(s)
  - BC Athletics Approved Provincial or Regional Event Specific or Event Group Training Camps. Example: A BC Athletics approved Provincial training camp for Throwers or a BCA approved Regional (Zone 6) Middle Distance Camp
  - Club Competitions sanctioned by BC Athletics other than Championships
    - Support is also provided for the travel of athletes Junior age and under to **ONE Non-Championship** competition held in British Columbia during the period of October 1, 2008 to September 30, 2009.

**Note:**

1. Travel to the Cdn Junior and Youth Track & Field Championships is not an eligible event for 2009.
2. Out of Province Travel under Government Guidelines is not eligible for support under this program.

**Travel Subsidy Rates**

(Subject to change without notice should the applications for funding exceed the available program budget of \$12,750 + Lottery Contribution **To Be Announced** for the period Oct 1/08 to Sept 30/09)

**Per Vehicle with:**

- 5 or more (1 adult/coach driver + 4 or more competing athletes) \$ .30/km
- 4 people (1 adult/coach driver + 3 competing athletes) \$ .25/km
- 3 people (1 adult/coach driver + 2 competing athletes) \$ .20/km
- 2 people (1 adult/coach driver + 1 competing athlete or 2 competing athletes) \$ .15/km

- 1 person (1 competing athlete)

\$.10/km

**Charter Bus:**

- 50% of the cost

**Individual Bus fare:**

- 50 % of the cost

**Airline Flights:**

- 50% of the cost

**Highway Tolls:**

- 100% of the cost

**Coastal Ferries:**

- 100% of the cost – if not already supported through the BC Ferries “Sporting Life on the Coast” Program – see:

<http://www.sport.bc.ca/SpecialOffers/bcFerriesProgram.asp>

- Note: Inland ferries are free of charge to users.

**Applying for Funding**

1. Applications for funding must include:

- Applications must be made on the In-Province Youth Travel Form
- The date(s) and name(s) of the event the athletes attended (BC Athletics Championships, One Club Meet, Training Camps). All events must have been sanctioned by BC Athletics.
- All athletes listed on the submission form must be Athlete (competitive members) of BC Athletics for the event they took part in. Include the BC Athletics number for the Junior Development, 15 yr old, Youth and Junior age athletes.
- All clubs applying for support must be Club Members in good standing with BC Athletics.
- The names of the athletes who competed in the Event or took part in the Training Camp. For 2008 XC and 2009 T&F and Rd Rg BC Championships, Team Trials and Club Meets please see the results section of the BC Athletics website at:  
[http://www.bcathletics.org/main/results\\_index.htm](http://www.bcathletics.org/main/results_index.htm)
  - Note: the 2008 BC Cross Country Championships results can be found at: [http://www.bcathletics.org/main/results\\_08.htm#XC](http://www.bcathletics.org/main/results_08.htm#XC)
- For vehicle travel please include the parent/coach who was driving
- Include receipts for:
  - Bus Charters
  - Individual bus fares
  - Airline flights
  - Highway tolls
  - Coastal ferries