

**2020 BC Athletics Board of Directors meeting
Rule Changes to be considered by the Board of Directors
January 25, 2020**

1. BC Athlete Assistance Program Eligibility Criteria

Recommended By: the BC Athletics Track & Field Committee

Whereas: The BC Athlete Assistance Program (BC AAP) is an athlete-centered program of financial assistance seeks to recognize high performance athletes who are participating in programs offered through BC Athletics. Athletes wishing to be considered for funding must meet the following eligibility requirements as set forth by BC Athletics and the Province of British Columbia.

To be eligible for BC Athletics funding and/or selection to any team and program, an athlete must:

- a) Hold a current BC Athletics Competitive Membership and be a member in good standing. In the case of BC Athletics Masters Teams, the member must hold a BC Athletics Masters Membership and be in a member in good standing.
- b) Must have Canadian Citizenship, landed immigrant status or have applied for landed immigrant status.
- c) Must be at least fifteen (15) years of age in the year of competition (as of Dec. 31).
- d) Must have a permanent residence in BC for at least 6 months prior to selection for funding, teams and programs; or
- e) Has a permanent residence in BC or plans to resume permanent residency in BC, but is temporarily residing outside BC because of personal or spousal school or work requirements (the latter to be reviewed on each occasion for the continuation or eligibility).
- f) If previously affiliated with any other Athletics Association within the previous 12 months, the athlete must establish residency in BC for a minimum of 6 months and must be a registered competitive/master member of BC Athletics for 6 months prior to selection for teams or other forms of financial support provided by or upon recommendation of BC Athletics.
- g) Meet the specific selection requirements for the competitions or programs which BC Athletics will support.

And Whereas: An athlete that meets the above criteria may still not be eligible to compete for Canada on an Athletics Canada National Team.

Be It Resolved: That in order to be eligible for BC Athletic Assistance Program funding an athlete “Must be fully eligible to compete for Canada on all National Teams”.

Notes:

- a. The targeted implementation date is the 2020/2021 AAP Funding Cycle.
 - b. The Track & Field Committee Recommends that this rule be implemented for funding only and not on BC Teams.
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2. BC Team Program

Recommended By: BC Athletics Staff

Whereas: BC Teams are funded by BC Athletics, and selected through the Track & Field Committee, Road Running Committee and Cross Country Committee. These teams attend National Championships and training events. BC Teams are an integral part of Athlete and Coach Development and offer athletes the opportunity to represent their province on the national stage. When producing selection criteria BC Athletics works with the philosophy of “probable finalist, possible medalist.”

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- b) Must have Canadian Citizenship, landed immigrant status or have applied for landed immigrant status.
- c) Must be at least fifteen (15) years of age in the year of competition (as of Dec. 31).
- d) Must have a permanent residence in BC for at least 6 months prior to selection for funding, teams and programs; or
- e) Has a permanent residence in BC or plans to resume permanent residency in BC, but is temporarily residing outside BC because of personal or spousal school or work requirements (the latter to be reviewed on each occasion for the continuation or eligibility).
- f) If previously affiliated with any other Athletics Association within the previous 12 months, the athlete must establish residency in BC for a minimum of 6 months and must be a registered competitive/master member of BC Athletics for 6 months prior to selection for teams or other forms of financial support provided by or upon recommendation of BC Athletics.
- g) Meet the specific selection requirements for the competitions or programs which BC Athletics will support.

And Whereas: An athlete that meets the above criteria may still not be eligible to win a medal at an Athletics Canada National Championships.

Be It Resolved: That in order to be eligible for a BC Athletics Team an athlete “Must be fully eligible to compete for Canada on all National Teams”.

Notes:

- a. The targeted implementation date is the 2020 BC Team Program.

3. BC Track & Field Championship Hosting Grants

Recommended By: The BC Athletics Track & Field Committee

Whereas: BC Athletics provides hosting grants for all Championships events. The available funds are divided across the championships as such:

- Track & Field 55%
- Road Running 35%
- Cross Country 10%

And Whereas: Within the funds allocated for Track & Field Championships, the funds are divided across the championships as such (see below).

Be It Resolved: That the age categories be updated to reflect current classifications and that the amount of each hosting grant be updated accordingly. Total increase of \$370.00.

BCA Championship	Championships Hosting Grants
Seniors	\$785 \$800
JD Track & Field (Inclusive of 9 – 15 13 YO)	\$785 \$800
Juniors (U20)	\$470 \$450
Juvenile (U18)	\$470 \$450
Midget 14/15 – U16	\$224 \$450
Masters	\$315 \$300
JD Combined Events (Inclusive of 9 – 13 YO)	\$160 \$300
Combined Events (U18 U16 – Masters)	\$160 \$300

4. BC Athletics Track & Field Championship Jamboree Entry Fees

Recommended By: The BC Athletics Track & Field Committee

Whereas: BC Athletics awards the annual BC Athletics Track & Field Championship Jamboree to a BC Athletics Member Club.

And Whereas: BC Athletics sets the registration fees for the Championships which have not been increased in over 15 years:

1. Entry fees for individual events - \$10.00
2. Entry fees for Multi Events - \$20.00
3. Late Fee – An additional \$10.00 for all events

Be It Resolved:

1. Entry fees for individual events increase to \$20.00
2. Entry fees for Multi Events increase to \$30.00
3. Late Fee to remain at an additional \$10.00 for all events

And Be It Resolved:

1. Registration Deadline to be set at 11:59pm the Sunday before the first day of competition.
 2. Late Deadline to be set at 11:59pm the Monday night before the first day of competition.
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5. BC Athletics Track & Field Championship – Meet Management

Recommended by: BC Athletics Staff

Whereas: BC Athletics awards annual BC Athletics Track & Field Championship to a BC Athletics Member Club.

And Whereas: BC Athletics has let the member club manage the meet entry/registrations process for the through Trackie.

Be It Resolved: That BC Athletics take back “ownership” of the meet entry/registration process in order to ensure:

1. A fair registration process for all competing athletes
2. Appropriate entry fees are charged to all participants
3. The recommended registration deadlines are observed

Note: BC Athletics would retain 25% of the entry fees and return 75% of the entry fees, along with the BCA Hosting Grant, upon receipt of a completed Income Statement and Post Event Submission Form. To be received within 30 days of the Championship.

Note: B.C.A. Road Running Championships are exempt from revenue sharing agreement