

Pending Final Approval

## NLAA Road Race Funding Policy and Standards

Should the Newfoundland and Labrador Athletics Association have money available to fund athletes attending out-of-province road running meets, the following criteria, conditions and standards will be applicable.

### I. NLAA General Eligibility Criteria

The following criteria must be met by an athlete to be considered for a provincial team and/or to receive funding:

- A. Be a Canadian citizen or a landed immigrant in the process of acquiring Canadian citizenship, and;
- B. Have a permanent residence in Newfoundland and Labrador for at least six (6) months prior to team selection or receiving funding, or;
- C. Have a permanent residence in Newfoundland and Labrador or plans to resume permanent residency in Newfoundland and Labrador, but is temporarily residing outside Newfoundland and Labrador because of personal or spousal school or work requirements (the latter will be reviewed on each occasion by the NLAA Executive).
- D. Hold a current NLAA **full Track and Field** Membership, for at least six (6) months, and be a member in good standing of the Newfoundland and Labrador Athletics Association prior to team selection or receiving funding, or;
- E. If previously affiliated with any other Athletics Canada Branch within the previous twelve (12) months, the athlete must establish residency in Newfoundland for a minimum of six (6) months and must be a registered Track and Field Member of NLAA for six (6) months prior to selection or receipt of funding, and;
- F. Final selection to the Team will be contingent on the athlete agreeing to abide by terms and conditions established by the NLAA, and participation in the Newfoundland and Labrador Team preparation programme including competition(s).

### II. Conditions

- A. An athlete must meet all the **General Eligibility Criteria** set by the NLAA.
- B. An athlete must agree to represent the province of Newfoundland and Labrador when eligible at Canadian Championships and upcoming Canada Games competitions.
- C. An athlete must have achieved a designated **5km** or **10km** standard prior to requesting funding.
- D. An athlete must submit a letter of **Intent of Funding** at least thirty (30) days prior to departure to a road race, preferably through their coach where possible.
- E. Submit a **Funding Application** within 30 days upon return of trip.
- F. An athlete cannot receive funding after the thirty day period. Exceptions only in outstanding circumstances to be determined by the Road Race Committee.
- G. The NLAA office must authorize all meet travel in advance.
- H. Funding will be remitted following the athlete's return from competition.
- I. All standard making performances must be achieved on certified distances in Newfoundland.

- J. An athlete with standard achieved in the previous fiscal year (ending March 31), can be eligible to claim funding only once during the current year before achieving new standard - subject to proof of fitness.
- K. An athlete can request funding a maximum of three (3) times during a fiscal year - April 1 through March 31. Achieving **5km** or **10km** road race standard is required.
  - 1. Must attend a recognized quality road race.
  - 2. Canadian 10km Road Race Championship.
- L. Provided that an athlete obtains the most reasonable fare, he/she can be funded up to 1/3 of the airfare to a maximum of \$500.00.
- M. An athlete with a road running standard, providing that he/she meets all other eligibility criteria and conditions, can claim the entry fee when competing at the Canadian 10km Road Race Championship.
- N. An athlete must satisfy the following requirements to be eligible for funding:
  - 1. participate in four (4) road races that are part of NLAA Road Race Championship Series
  - 2. Volunteer at minimum of two (2) road races that are part of the NLAA Road Race Championship Series
  - 3. Ranked in the top six (6) **OVERALL** in the **5km** and **10km** provincial rankings. Only certified courses in the province will be considered.
  - 4. To attend the National 10km Road Race Championships the following minimum standards must be achieved:
    - a. Women: **5km - 18:44min; 10km - 39:53min**
    - b. Men: **5km - 15:35min; 10km - 32:56min**
  - 5. To attend major National or International events the following minimum standards must be achieved:
    - a. Women: **5km - 17:21min; 10km - 36:50min**
    - b. Men: **5km - 14:42min; 10km - 31:00min**
- O. All funding applications must be approved by the NLAA Road Race Committee.