



**Athletics New Brunswick
High Performance Program**

The Athletics New Brunswick High Performance Program is an athlete support program targeted at junior and senior athletes who have shown significant potential to perform at a national and international level. Athletes will be named to this program at three opportunities throughout a calendar year, based on their performances during the previous competition season. Athletes will be designated to the Elite, A or B teams based on their performance, and will receive certain special competition and training related opportunities as well as financial support based, in part, on their team designation.

Benefits: Athletes who are named to the provincial High Performance Teams will be eligible to receive several benefits, depending on their status within the program. These benefits will include:

HP Elite Team members

- Eligible to receive \$500 in direct ANB funding once per year for attendance at one of the three major national championships (Juniors, Seniors, and XC);
- Eligible to receive ANB financial support towards self-funded national team programs;
- Eligible to apply for funding from ANB for approved out-of-province high level competitions and/or specific training opportunities;
- Eligible to receive training consultations and evaluation services from HPP coaches;
- Invited to participate in at least one partially-subsidized out-of-province competition in each of the indoor and outdoor seasons, and an out-of-province training camp;
- Invited to participate in various educational and training sessions as organized by ANB;
- Designated as a member of the ANB provincial high performance team.

HP A Team members

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- Eligible to apply for funding from ANB for approved out-of-province high level competitions and/or specific training opportunities;
- Eligible to receive training consultations and evaluation services from HPP coaches;
- Invited to participate in at least one partially-subsidized out-of-province competition in each of the indoor and outdoor seasons, and an out-of-province training camp;
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HP B Team members

- Eligible to receive training consultations and evaluation services from HPP coaches;
- Invited to participate in at least one partially-subsidized out-of-province competition in each of the indoor and outdoor seasons, and an out-of-province training camp;
- Invited to participate in various educational and training sessions as organized by ANB.
- Designated as a member of the ANB provincial high performance team.

All athletes named to the High Performance Program will receive team clothing signifying their membership on the HP teams.

Eligibility: To be eligible for the ANB High Performance Team program, an athlete must meet certain criteria, as outlined below:

- 1) The athlete and his/her coach (if residing in NB) must be full members in good standing of Athletics New Brunswick, including the time during which a qualifying performance was achieved;
- 2) Be a junior or senior athlete (see note below regarding youth athlete qualification process);
- 3) Achieve a qualifying performance based on the published standards of the High Performance Program during the qualifying period;
- 4) Have the qualifying performance appear in the New Brunswick rankings of the Athletics Canada rankings system; it is the responsibility of the athlete and/or their coach to ensure that any performances achieved outside of New Brunswick are submitted to ANB for inclusion in these official rankings;

Youth athletes **may** be named to the HP teams if they achieve the relevant Junior qualifying standard; in the case of throwing or hurdling events, the performance must be achieved with the appropriate Junior event specification (e.g., implement weight, hurdle height). A youth athlete may also qualify based on their placing in the Junior race at the Canadian XC Championships.

Responsibilities: To be a part of the High Performance Program, an athlete must meet certain obligations, as outlined below:

- 1) Be a full member in good standing of ANB, and follow any and all code of conduct documents as required by ANB for any team events;
- 2) Must attend at least 2 of the following competitions – NB Championships, Atlantic Championships, NB Indoor Championships, Atlantic Indoor Championships, or Atlantic Cross Country Championships.

Failure to comply with these responsibilities may result in the athlete's removal from the High Performance Program, and may also affect their eligibility to participate in the program in the following year. Those athletes deemed to be living and training the majority of the year outside of New Brunswick will be designated as "out of province" members of the program; they may receive some exemptions related to team obligations, at the discretion of the ANB High Performance Committee. Athletes attending university in another province but who still live and train in NB during the outdoor season will still be designated as "in province" members of the program, but may still be exempted from some team obligations at the discretion of the ANB High Performance Committee.

Schedule: The ANB Director of High Performance will update and publish the HP Team lists three times per year based on the three main seasons – September 30 for outdoor track, December 15 for cross country, and April 15 for indoor track. Once named to a team, an athlete will remain on the list for a minimum of 12 months. The athlete may be promoted from one level to another based on subsequent performances within that period, but they will not be demoted or removed from the team list for one year, unless they do not meet the required responsibilities to remain in the program.

Once an athlete achieves a published HP Team standard during a season, they will effectively be considered part of the HP Team and eligible for the associated benefits with approval from the ANB High Performance Committee, but official team lists will not be published until the scheduled dates at the end of each season. The 12 month membership on a team thus still applies from the publication date of the team lists (i.e., end of each season) and not from the date the athlete achieves the performance standard.

Standards: The qualifying standards will be published and circulated by ANB at the start of each indoor and outdoor season. These standards are based on a comparison to the Canadian national rankings in the Athletics Canada ranking system. The cross country standards are based on the relative placing of the athlete in the overall field at the national championships. For the Senior category, the average of fifth place from the previous three years' rankings will be the criterion performance used to calculate the standards. For the Junior category, the average of third place from the previous three years' Junior rankings will be the criterion performance used to calculate the standards. Athletes who achieve a performance that falls within the range of 80.0% to 89.9% of the relevant benchmark performance will be nominated to the HP B Team. Athletes who achieve a performance that is at 90.0% or better of the relevant benchmark performance will be nominated to the HP A Team. The calculation of the "percent off" will be done as follows:

$$\text{Percentage} = [1 - ((C - P) / C)] \times 100$$

where:

C is the criterion performance converted to IAAF points

P is the athlete's event performance converted to IAAF points

For cross country, performances at either the Canadian Cross Country Championships or the CIS Cross Country Championships will be considered - athletes who finish in the top 20% of the field in their category will be nominated to the HP B Team, and those who finish in the top 10% of the field in their category will be nominated to the HP A Team.

The Elite Team category will be made up of those athletes who have shown significant potential towards representing New Brunswick at the international Youth, Junior or Senior level. The Elite Team of the HPP will be made up of athletes who have achieved one of the following criteria, regardless of age:

- 1) Received national carded status through the Athletics Canada Athlete Assistance Program;
- 2) Won a medal at the Junior or Senior level in a Canadian Championship;
- 3) Have been named to a Canadian national team at the Youth, Junior or Senior level.



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Application for HPP Financial Support

Athlete Name:			ANB #			
HPP team designation:	Elite Team	A Team	Category:	Youth	Junior	Senior
Applying for support to attend:		Competition	Camp	Camp & Competition		
Name of competition or camp (if applicable):						
Location of competition/camp:						
Will your personal coach be attending the camp/competition with you?						
Is this an Athletics Canada organized event?						
Date of departure:			Details of travel:			
Date of return:						
Objectives for the trip:						
Budget for the trip:						

Please attach any additional information you feel will help describe the purpose and details of your planned trip to attend the competition or camp described.

Deadlines for submitting applications to the HPP to receive funding are:

August 31 for Cross Country and Indoor Track & Field seasons

March 31 for Outdoor Track & Field season

Submissions can be sent to ANB electronically at anb@anb.ca

or by post to ANB, 66 Belle-Forêt, Dieppe NB, E1A 8X9



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Application for HPP Elite Financial Support to Attend Canadian Championships

Athlete Name:	ANB #
Which Canadian Championships are you attending?	
Location of Championships:	
Date of departure:	Details of travel:
Date of return:	
Event(s) you will be competing in at the Championships and target performance(s):	
Budget for the trip:	

Please note that you are eligible to apply for this funding only **once per calendar year**. Applications are due **one month in advance** of the stated Championships for which you are applying.

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