

ATHLETICS NEW BRUNSWICK Athlete Development and Support Program



Program Overview

INTRODUCTION. Athletics New Brunswick's **Athlete Development and Support Program** (ADSP) provides a framework for assisting our athletes to reach their highest potential through a system of direct and indirect support, designed to provide training and competition opportunities to help ANB athletes compete at the highest levels.

STRUCTURE. The ADSP is based on a development pyramid that is divided into four tiers — **Development**, **Performance**, **High Performance**, and **Elite**. The event standards for each tier and each sub-category are based on event-specific performance levels that represent a level of achievement that coincides with provincial, regional, national and international levels of performance. The ultimate focus of the program is to prepare New Brunswick athletes for international competition; as such, the **Elite** tier of the pyramid is focused on those events contested at the Olympic Games and IAAF World Championships. The **High Performance**, **Performance** and **Development** tiers include events from both indoor and outdoor athletics as well as cross country and select road racing disciplines. Age-categories from Midget to Senior are included in the ADSP pyramid, with standards at each tier set for each event based on age-appropriate criterion performance standards.

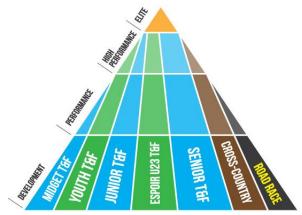


Figure 1. The basic structure of the Athlete Development and Support Program.

IDENTIFICATION. The ADSP will attempt to maintain a "live" team list on the ANB website that will be updated regularly as new athletes achieve qualifying performances. Official team announcements will be made twice a year, in September and in April. To be eligible for inclusion, a performance must appear in the official Athletics Canada rankings system.

FUNDING. The ADSP will fund Elite tier athletes to a maximum of \$4000 per year, dependent on the number of qualified athletes and budgetary constraints. High Performance athletes will receive a maximum of \$400 per year, dependent on the number of qualified athletes and budgetary constraints. These funds will be released to qualifying athletes in September of each year. Athletes in the Performance and Development tiers will not receive any direct financial support, but are eligible for inclusion in various events and programs offered by ANB through the ADSP.

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