



## **Policy for Athletes/Club Coaches to Apply for Funding from the Waitakere City Athletic Club and/or Associated Trusts**

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### **Background**

The Waitakere City Athletic Club encourages athletes to compete to the best of their abilities. This policy provides guidelines for athletes (and their parents) when wishing to apply for support to attend specific high level events, and where necessary for club coaches to support their athlete squad members at these events.

### **Criteria**

1. Athletes must be a current member of the Waitakere City Athletic Club for a period of at least 6 months before being eligible to apply for funding.
2. Coaches must be formally recognised as Club Coaches for a period of at least 1 year before being eligible to apply for funding. A Club Coach is one who regularly coaches a squad of Waitakere City athletes.
3. Athletes must have paid their current year's membership at least 2 months prior to requesting funding or by November of the current year. (For example, an athlete cannot register one day, and apply for funding the next, or not have registered by November, and register after this date and expect to receive funding for that season).
- 4 Funding can only be applied for to attend International or National events (or other events at the discretion of the club committee) and are athletes that have been selected into a New Zealand National or Auckland team in the first official announcement.

### **Process**

Funding rounds will occur as and when required.

All applications must be in writing to the Secretary ([wcac365@gmail.co.nz](mailto:wcac365@gmail.co.nz)) detailing the name of the event, costs anticipated and other details a month at the minimum before the event. No discussions will be entered into on decisions and there is no right of review.

### **Funding**

There is no set rules for funding, but it should be noted that it would be very unlikely for the Club/Trust to fund 100% of costs. The Club will look favourably on athletes who have actively participated in self-funding opportunities and are helping themselves and who have made a contribution to the Club in the form of helping out at events or with junior athletes, etc.

### **Requirements**

It is expected that in return for funding that athletes provide the following:

1. A report / photos on their return that is suitable for the Club's website
2. That the athlete and/or parents make themselves available to help out for at least two junior club nights (Tuesday evenings or Sunday morning coaching sessions) so that the juniors can see our

successful senior athletes. This means helping out with officiating, coaching and motivational encouragement.

Please note: That if the above requirements are not adhered to this may affect future funding.

#### **Funding Round Dates (2018/19)**

- For events Jan – March (2018), applications must be in by **Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March** (will cover IP's, NZ Champs, Australian Champs, Multi Events)
- April - June Applications in by **Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> July**
- July - Sept Applications in by **Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> October** (will cover any international events)
- Oct - Dec Applications in by **Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December** (will cover Trans Tasman)

