

Overview

The Department of Tourism, Culture and Recreation receives numerous requests from athletes and teams seeking financial assistance to travel to sport competitions. Recognizing the challenges that athletes face in raising the necessary funds to compete at these events, the Department, with the assistance of Sport Canada implemented a Travel Subsidy Program. This program is designed to provide financial assistance to athletes and teams who travel to Atlantic or Eastern Canadian Championships that are mandatory competitions for that sport's National Competition for a particular gender and age group. This program is also designed for athletes and teams attending the National Sport Organization's sanctioned age group national event. This assistance will be provided to one team per age group per sport travelling to the sanctioned championship.

In exceptional circumstances, the Recreation and Sport Division may provide funding subsidy for Atlantic or Eastern Competitions whereby a sport can demonstrate that a particular event is the highest of competition a designate age group/division a team/individual can attend (certain restrictions apply). The following guidelines have been developed to assist the Department in determining eligibility of teams and the allocation of financial assistance to the various teams and individuals.

Objective

To provide financial assistance to sport teams (youth and junior) who qualify to represent the province at a **sanctioned National Championship**.

Eligibility Criteria

Team must meet the following criteria in order to qualify for financial assistance:

1. Priority will be given to teams (Youth/Junior - Under 21) who have won a Provincial Championship which has been sanctioned by the Provincial Sport Organization to represent the sport at a National championship (out of Province). Funding is also available to Provincial teams who are travelling to a National Championship sanctioned by the NSO, but as a second priority in the event funding is limited.
2. Only recognized Provincial Champions or the approved substitute team delegated by their Provincial Sport Organization are eligible for financial assistance. Provincial Sport Organizations may also select a team of their choosing should no qualifying competition take place.
3. Only qualifying teams attending a National championship sanctioned by their National Sport Organization (NSO) and the NSO is recognized by Sport Canada as the governing body for that sport in Canada are eligible for funding through this program.
4. In cases where an Atlantic Championship is a qualifier for the right to compete at the National championship, funding will be available to assist teams attending these competitions.
5. Funding will also be provided to a team attending Eastern Canadian championships which would be considered as the National championship for a respective sport.
6. Individual sports such as Athletics, Swimming, etc where athletes are required to meet competition standards in order to qualify for National championships will be eligible for funding provided the Provincial Sport Organization can substantiate in writing that these athletes have successfully achieved the standards set down by the National Sport Organization. These athletes will only be eligible for funding to attend one National event per fiscal year which will be designed by the respective Provincial Sport Organization.
7. Individual athletes who are invited to a National Team training camp or who represent Canada in a recognized international competition (World Cup) are **not eligible** for assistance through this program, however may apply for funding through the Department's Premier's Athletic Awards Program.
8. When National championships are held within the Province, teams representing the Province will **not be eligible** to receive financial support through this program.
9. Teams who are competing in Invitational or Select Team competitions, Corporate Competitions, Masters Games, Senior Games, Para-Games, Transplant Games, Military Games, NAIG Games, Arctic Games, AUS and CIS championships will **NOT be eligible** for financial assistance through this program.
10. Teams who compete in Canada Games and are funded through existing programs within the Department through the Recreation and Sport Division are **not eligible** under this program.

11. The Travel Subside program is only available to one age division per gender. Priority will be given to the highest Division (ex: Triple A over Double A and if no Triple A, Double A over Single A) team who meets the Department's criteria outlined above.
12. Teams/individuals whose travel and/or accommodations have been funded through other government grants, PSO/NSO or sponsors may not receive the amount allocated to teams who do not have these items funded.
13. Applications for travel subsidy must be submitted to the Recreation and Sport Division in advance of the competition being applied for. Applications for competition that has already been held will not be accepted.

Condition of Financial Assistance

The grant for travel subsidy is contingent on the team travelling being in good standing with their Provincial Sport Organization at the time of travel and has to be used for travel expenses only. Teams receiving financial assistance under this program must provide the Recreation and Sport Division with their official results within 30 days of their return.

Funding Levels

Depending on total funding and the number of eligible teams travelling to sanctioned National Championships the following funding formula has been developed:

Competition Ontario and East - \$200 per athlete to a maximum of \$3,000 per team of 15+

Competition West of Ontario - \$250 per athlete to a maximum of \$4,000 per team of 15+



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Travel Subsidy Guidelines



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TRAVEL SUBSIDY APPLICATION FORM

General Information

SPORT _____ Team Name: _____

_____ male _____ female _____ male and female members Age range of athletes _____

Destination: _____ Dates of competition _____

Name of Championship:

Is this a qualifying tournament necessary to attend the National event for this age group? _____yes _____no

Is this the only national tournament that your team will be attending? _____yes _____no

Is this the only team for this gender and age group attending the championship for which you are applying? ___yes ___no

Number of Athletes Traveling: _____ Number of Coaches/Managers Traveling _____

Head Coach Information

Head Coach:

Street/P.O. Box:

City/Town: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code:

Telephone:(B) _____ (H) _____

E-mail Address:

Approximate Cost to Attend Championship (per athlete)

Accommodations: \$ _____ Airline/Bus: \$ _____
(Based on shared accommodations if team application)

Signature of Head Coach
Director)

Signature of Provincial Sport Organization
(Executive Member of Executive/Technical

Completed Application

Please forward your completed application to the appropriate Provincial Sport Organization for their approval.