

PREMIER'S ATHLETIC AWARDS PROGRAM **2006-2007 Guidelines**

The Program

The Premier's Athletic Awards Program is designed to recognize athletic excellence of the province's elite athletes by providing financial assistance to help offset the cost of training and competition.

Eligibility

Athletes must meet the following criteria:

1. Athletes must be attending an educational institution on a full-time basis in 2006-07. Exceptions will be made providing the athlete can substantiate **in writing** that his/her training program will not allow him/her to attend school full-time.
1. Athletes must be residents of Newfoundland and Labrador and have a permanent fixed address in Newfoundland and Labrador in the funding year. That is, an athlete may train out of province but his/her parent/guardian must maintain a permanent fixed address within this province.
2. Athletes must be currently registered as a member of a Provincial Sport Organization recognized by the Department of Tourism, Culture and Recreation.
3. If eligible, athletes must compete, and continue to compete, for Newfoundland and Labrador at Canada Games, National and Atlantic competitions.
4. Athletes must be currently training, and continue to train, in Newfoundland and Labrador. Exceptions will be made providing the athlete can substantiate **in writing** that:
 1. He/she cannot receive the required level of training in Newfoundland and Labrador. This could be due to lack of facilities, coaching, competition, etc.
 2. He/she must attend a post secondary institution out-of-province because the course of study is not available in Newfoundland and Labrador.
 3. It is more financially feasible to attend a post secondary institution out-of-province.
5. Athletes carded by the Sport Canada Athlete Assistance Program are not eligible.
6. Athletes who have completed their area of study and who continue to train towards participation in the Olympics, Para-Olympics, Commonwealth or Pan Am Games will be given consideration. Applicants who have full-time employment will not be eligible for support under this program.

Selection of Recipients

Awards are subject to recommendations by Provincial Sport Organizations, budget allocations, quality and number of candidates. The Awards Selection Committee will review recommendations made by PSOs and will make final selections.

Value of Awards

Awards will range from \$500 - \$1,500.

Deadline for Applications

January 5th, 2007

Condition of Awards

The Premier's Athletic Awards Program must be used for defraying costs related to training and competition. Athletes must be currently training and competing in the sport indicated and continue to train upon receipt of an Award. Violation of the program's guidelines, terms and conditions may result in forfeiture of the Award.

Forward the completed application to your respective
Provincial Sport Organization on or before **January 5th, 2007**