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## ATHLETE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE CRITERIA (2025–2029)

The purpose of this policy is to regulate and guide the allocation of financial assistance to athletes affiliated with Athletics Gauteng North (AGN) who participate in approved national and international competitions.

Financial assistance is intended to support athletes who demonstrate performance potential and commitment toward qualifying for provincial, national, continental and international representation.

This policy must be read together with:

- The AGN Financial Assistance Agreement
- The ASA Application to Participate Abroad form (international events)

### 1. OBJECTIVES

- Assist elite and developing athletes with competition-related expenses
- Support athletes pursuing qualification for national teams
- Improve AGN athlete representation nationally and internationally
- Encourage athlete development and high-performance participation
- Promote accountability and transparency in financial support allocation

### 2. GENERAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To qualify for financial assistance, athletes must:

- Be a registered AGN athlete in good standing
- Hold a valid ASA license
- Meet qualifying standards and/or ranking criteria
- Submit all required documentation within prescribed timelines
- Obtain ASA approval where applicable
- Sign the AGN Financial Assistance Agreement

### 3. APPLICATION DEADLINES

International Competitions: Applications must be submitted at least 30 days before departure.

National Competitions: Applications must be submitted at least 14 days before the event date.

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#### 4. PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & QUALIFYING TIMES

##### MEN

| Event         | Standard        |
|---------------|-----------------|
| 100m          | 10.20 / 10.60   |
| 200m          | 20.50 / 21.00   |
| 110m Hurdles  | 13.30 / 14.00   |
| 400m          | 45.00 / 46.90   |
| 400m Hurdles  | 49.90 / 51.00   |
| 800m          | 1:45.90 / 1:47  |
| 1500m         | 3:40 / 3:45     |
| 3000m         | 8:10 / 8:30     |
| 3000m SC      | 8:45 / 9:20     |
| 5000m         | 14:30 / 14:45   |
| 5km           | 15:00           |
| 10000m        | 28:40 / 31:00   |
| 10km          | 29:50 / 31:30   |
| Half Marathon | 63 min / 66 min |
| Marathon      | 2:15 / 2:25     |

##### WOMEN

| Event         | Standard        |
|---------------|-----------------|
| 100m          | 11.30 / 11.90   |
| 200m          | 22.30 / 23.40   |
| 100m Hurdles  | 13.90 / 14.30   |
| 400m          | 52.30 / 54.00   |
| 400m Hurdles  | 55.00 / 58.30   |
| 800m          | 2:01 / 2:03.50  |
| 1500m         | 4:10 / 4:18     |
| 3000m         | 9:10 / 9:20     |
| 3000m SC      | 10:30 / 11:20   |
| 5000m         | 16:00 / 16:30   |
| 5km           | 18:00           |
| 10000m        | 33:30 / 34:00   |
| 10km          | 33:55 / 34:50   |
| Half Marathon | 70 min / 75 min |
| Marathon      | 2:36 / 2:40     |

##### RACE WALKING

| Event       | Men    | Women  |
|-------------|--------|--------|
| 10000m Walk | 46 min | 55 min |
| 20km Walk   | 1:25   | 1:50   |

#### 5. REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

- Completed AGN Financial Assistance Agreement
- Completed ASA Application to Participate Abroad form
- Copy of passport (international events)
- Proof of entry or invitation letter
- Flight itinerary and accommodation details, where applicable
- Banking details

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## 6. CATEGORIES OF ASSISTANCE

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| <b>International &amp; East Africa Competitions:</b><br><br>Maximum of 4 athletes | <b>SADC Region 5 Competitions:</b><br><br>Maximum of 8 athletes | <b>National High-Performance Competitions:</b><br><br>Maximum of 12 athletes<br><i>Athlete must be ranked within the Top 10 AGN rankings</i> | <b>Development Athlete Support:</b><br><br>Maximum of 10 athletes |
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## 7. APPROVAL PROCESS

AGN will review applications on:

- Athlete performance level
- Budget availability
- Competition significance
- National qualification potential
- Compliance with all application requirements

## 8. PAYMENT CONDITIONS

- No payments shall be made without prior written approval from AGN.
- Approved funds shall be paid directly into the athlete's verified bank account.
- AGN reserves the right to approve full or partial funding.
- Financial assistance is not an entitlement.

## 9. ATHLETE OBLIGATIONS

Athletes receiving support must:

- Participate in the approved event
- Conduct themselves professionally
- Submit official results and reports within 7 days after the event

## 10. REFUND & RECOVERY OF FUNDS

AGN reserves the right to recover funds where:

- The athlete fails to attend the event without a valid reason
- False information or documentation was submitted
- Funds were used for unrelated purposes

## 11. POLICY REVIEW

This policy shall remain effective from 2025 to 2029 and may be reviewed annually by AGN.

**Yours in Sport**

**Catherine Skosana**  
**AGN Athletes Commission Chairperson**

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