

Orienteering Manitoba Provincial Team Policy

Goal

To support and foster Manitoba Provincial Team orienteers as leaders in the sport and to raise the profile of Orienteering Manitoba.

To support Manitoba Provincial Team members who represent Orienteering Manitoba at competitions outside of Manitoba where they gain experience as competitors and orienteers.

To support Orienteering Manitoba by developing and requiring Manitoba Provincial Team members to volunteer for the organization.

Benefits

Community, recognition, team uniforms, travel assistance, etc.

Provincial Team Application

Any member of the Orienteering Manitoba may apply to be on the provincial team, regardless of their experience and orienteering skills. Applications must be in writing and submitted to the Board by March 1st each year. The application should include the following:

- A summary of the member's experience in the last 2 years.
- Any specific goals for the current orienteering season.
- Events the athlete plans to attend this year.

General Criteria

- The Applicant must be an Orienteering Manitoba member in good standing for the current membership year.
- The athlete must represent Manitoba in a positive way in orienteering competitions and other related activities.
- The member actively participates in orienteering events, organizes event(s) or similarly volunteers for Orienteering Manitoba.
- The member agrees to provide evidence of their activities supporting Orienteering Manitoba during the current funding year.
- The athlete participates in their age categories (or in a more competitive category) at WCOC, COC, NAOC, JWOC, WUOC, WOC, WMOC or World Games events during the funding year.
- The athlete agrees to provide details and receipts to support their expense claim.

Expense Claim Funding

The Manitoba Provincial Team funding will be shared among all applicants for the given year. Applicants will receive an amount depending their athlete category:

- Junior athlete in the Manitoba team
- Elite athlete in the Manitoba team
- Master athlete in the Manitoba team

Each Junior and Elite athlete receives a maximum of twice the funding of the master category to the following max. amounts. For example, if the funding amount is \$2000, and ten members apply then each applicant may receive 1/10th of \$2000, or \$200, or if ten members apply and two are Junior or Elite athletes then the eight members may each receive 1/12th or \$166.67 and the Junior or Elite members may each receive 2/12th or \$333.33.

Junior and Elite categories are eligible to a maximum of \$1000 per applicant per event. Master applicants are eligible to a maximum of \$500 per applicant per event.

Athletes may not apply for funds if they are receiving funds from another source for the same expense.

Athletes need to provide an expense claim, listing all their expenses for the competition(s) and attaching receipts.

Expense Claim Deadline

Application for reimbursement must be made by the end of the competition season and no later than the 15th of November.

Funding Allotment

The MOA Board is responsible for determining the funding budget amounts available each year. Funds available may vary in any given year and may be prorated.

Caveats

MOA Board reserves the right to accept or reject applications and expense claims. The decision of the MOA Board is final.

If an athlete is found fraudulent in claiming expenses or meeting the criteria established in the policy, the applicant may be refused provincial team membership status and the benefits within.