

ASSISTANCE TO ELITE COMPETITORS

Association Manual **8.3**

1. ASSISTANCE TO ELITE COMPETITORS

- 1.1. ONSW recognizes the value of successful elite competitors providing a positive image for the sport, as well as recognizing the inherent worthiness of achieving excellence in orienteering. Furthermore ONSW recognizes the need to foster and encourage promising or established elite competitors by providing financial support in their competitive endeavours where needed.
- 1.2. ONSW may also assist eligible orienteers in sourcing funds from other bodies.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1. Full financial members of ONSW Clubs shall be automatically awarded a grant of \$500 to assist with their expenses if they are selected in the Australian Team, and travel to compete in the:
 - 2.1.1. World Orienteering Championships (Foot);
 - 2.1.2. World MTB Orienteering Championships;
 - 2.1.3. Junior World Orienteering Championships (Foot);
 - 2.1.4. Junior World MTB Orienteering Championships; or
 - 2.1.5. World University Orienteering Championships.
- 2.2. Where an orienteer is selected to compete at more than one of these Championships in a calendar year, a \$500 grant will be payable for each relevant Championship Carnival.
- 2.3. Where a selected orienteer becomes injured and is not able to compete at the relevant Championship Carnival/s the grant will not have to be repaid if the orienteer has incurred non-refundable expenses associated with the Championship Carnival.
- 2.4. Where a Championship is rescheduled in full or part for any reason, and as a result a team member must or could travel twice there will not be an automatic second grant payable.

3. PAYMENT

- 3.1. Unless otherwise requested by the grant recipient, ONSW will pay the funds into the bank account nominated by the recipient.
- 3.2. If requested by the grant recipient in writing, ONSW may pay the grant direct to a third party as full or partial payment for expense/s associated with the relevant Orienteering Championships.

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Reason for update:

Changed to reflect current practice and event coverage; Simplified eligibility; removed need to apply for funding; added Championship rescheduling; added injury clause; added third party payment