



A local support scheme for National Sports Performers in Angus



How To Register

Athletes must complete a NASA application form, 'Routes to Leisure' form, produce proof of national status, proof of residency. Forms are available from the Development Officers or any Angus Council Leisure Facility.

Athletes will be issued with a 'Routes to Leisure' card.

All cards will have an expiry date of 1st April. For applications made from January to March the expiry date will be the 1st April in the following year.

Contact our ACCESS Line on 08452 777778 if you want this leaflet translated into Chinese, Urdu, Hindi, Punjabi or Gaelic, or in large print, audio or braille.

For application forms and grant aid forms please contact:

Sports & Countryside Services
The Yard
Queenswell Road
Forfar
DD8 3JA
01307 475368

Complimentary Access to Facilities

Athletes will be given free access to Angus Council leisure facilities operated by Sports & Countryside Services, for sports specific training needs only.

Athletes will not be given preference in facility use over the general public and as such will not be able to pre-book facilities under the scheme.

The 'Routes to Leisure' card must be carried and swiped whenever visiting the leisure facilities.

Free entry will only be given to those activity areas identified to the athlete and approved by Sport & Countryside Services. Free entry will not be given to Health Suites.

Cardholders under the age of 14 will not be allowed to use the Fitness Suites, as this is council policy. Should those under 14 strongly wish to use this facility, they should discuss the matter with Sports & Countryside Services Development Officers.

Should an athlete's training require specialised equipment set up, then the athlete should discuss requirements with the manager of the facility and reach a reasonable agreement.

Sports injury support

Access to Physiotherapy may be available, please contact development officers for full details.

National Athlete Support - Angus: Guidelines

National Athlete Support - Angus is an initiative of Angus Council Sports & Countryside Services designed to offer locally based assistance and recognition to high level athletes. The aim is to offer practical support to athletes who have achieved national level in their chosen sport, to recognise their achievements and to provide a useful service to these valued members of the local community.

NASA offers free access to:

- Leisure facilities
- Grant aid support
- Sport injury support

NASA is organised and administered by the Development Officers in Sports & Countryside Services. The elected members of Angus Council and the council's Education department support the scheme.

Eligibility for the Scheme

The term National Athlete refers to any individual in a squad or team representing Scotland, the United Kingdom or Great Britain in sport at any age group level.

Sports will be as defined and recognised by sportscotland.

Only members of squads and teams which are run under a National Governing Body, or affiliated National Agency, as defined and recognised by sportscotland will be eligible.

Residency within Angus is essential. A postal or contact address will not suffice. In the case of students either the parental or term time address may be used.

The scheme applies only to athletes of amateur status.

Grant Scheme

Grants are available through the NASA scheme to Athletes who have met the criteria laid down for NASA and also meet the other criteria listed below.

Grants can be given for national/international competition or for recognised national squad training.

Any member of the NASA scheme can apply for grant aid. Should non-members wish to apply they would first have to enrol in the scheme.

The grants can be awarded for:

- Travel
- Attendance fees
- Tuition
- Subsistence up to 30% of allowable costs

Grants will not be awarded for:

- Personal clothing
- Equipment
- Examination fees
- Entrance fees
- Car hire
- Transport of equipment
- Any other items falling out with the categories indicated.

The maximum grant is £250. The maximum award payable to any one athlete in one financial year is £300. Subject to these restrictions an athlete may apply for several grants in one financial year or may submit one application for multiple events.

Application forms are available from the Development Officers. Section A of this form must be completed in full and returned prior to the event or course taking place.

Subject to all criteria being met, notification of provisional award will be made in writing as soon as possible after submission. The final grant given can not exceed the provisional award offered.

Following the event or course Section B of the form must be fully completed and returned with all supporting receipts, not copies. This section must be received by the date stipulated on the provisional offer or no award will be made.

Angus Council will consider all grants on their own merit using the above as conditions and are under no obligation to offer a grant to any or all applicants. No discussions will be entered into with regard to refusal or size of the grant award.

Conditions of grant may vary.

All applications for other awards, grants or sponsorship must be declared on Section A of the form and these will be considered in determining the award.

All applicants for awards amounting to £75 or more will be required to attend a cheque presentation and photo-call after receipt of Section B

Claims for assistance which relate to less than £30 expenditure will not be considered.

Applications will fail if they do not meet the deadlines stated above, are not fully completed and signed by appropriate people, are not fully supported by receipts, are for less than £30 or if the athlete does not satisfy amateur status.

These conditions are correct at time of issue but Angus Council reserves the right to alter any conditions should the need arise without prior notification to NASA scheme members