

# ATHLETE SUPPORT APPLICATION FORM

Gateshead Council is committed to helping local athletes achieve their potential. Sport training passes and grants are available to eligible athletes. To apply, please complete the application form overleaf ensuring that you read and fully understand the guidance notes below before doing so. Applications will be verified and assessed with the aid of the National Governing Body (NGB) of the relevant sport.

For further information or to discuss your application please contact the GO Gateshead Sport & Leisure Team on 0191 433 8136 or at [goenquiries@gateshead.gov.uk](mailto:goenquiries@gateshead.gov.uk)

## SPORTS TRAINING PASS

Sports Training Passes run for 12 months from the date of the qualifying competition and allow free use of:

- Track & field facilities at Gateshead International Stadium (including indoor athletics hall) and Blaydon Leisure Centre, subject to availability.
- Gyms at Blaydon Leisure Centre, Dunston Leisure Centre, Gateshead Leisure Centre, Gateshead International Stadium and Heworth Leisure Centre (age restrictions apply).
- Swimming at Birtley Swim Centre, Blaydon Leisure Centre, Dunston Leisure Centre, Gateshead Leisure Centre and Heworth Leisure Centre.

To be eligible for a Sports Training Pass an individual must comply with the following criteria:

- Live within a Gateshead ward area or be a first claim member of a Gateshead sports club at the time of the performance.
- Competed in a final of a Northern / Regional competition that forms part of the NGB competition structure OR;
- Competed in a Northern / Regional competition or tournament representing their NGB County Association where selection criteria has been applied.
- The above are minimum eligibility standards and competing in higher level competitions will be accepted where they form part of the sport's NGB competition structure.

Sports Training Passes will be automatically awarded to those who qualify for an Individual Sporting Grant or the Talented Athlete Scheme (see following pages).



## INDIVIDUAL SPORTS GRANTS\*

Grants are available for athletes competing as individuals and those selected for representative teams. Athletes are entitled to apply for an award within each financial year beginning in April. The following criteria must be met for ALL grants:

- The individual must live within a Gateshead ward area at the time of the performance
- The sport must be recognised by Sport England.
- The competition must be a part of the NGB competition structure.
- Appropriate qualification / selections standards must be met according to the level of grant.
- An athlete must have competed at the appropriate level, not just have qualified.
- The application must be submitted within six months following the date of the competition.

### CATEGORY A

An individual who finishes in the top four of a Northern / regional final OR tournament as part of a county team will be considered for a grant of up to £100.

### CATEGORY B

An individual who competes in a final of a national championships for which there are entry / selection standards or qualifying rounds will be considered for a grant of up to £200.

### CATEGORY C

An individual who competes internationally whilst representing their country will be considered for a grant of up to £400.

## TALENTED ATHLETE SCHEME\*

As a legacy to the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games, Gateshead Council offers a Talented Athlete Scheme aimed at providing financial support for athletes to reach their full potential.

The scheme will provide up to £1000 to assist the cost of the following:

- Travel (to training or competition)
- Training
- Equipment
- Accommodation (competition)
- Specialist support

In order to assess individual applications the following information will be required:

- Evidence of level of performance i.e. the athlete must be registered within the World Class Performance Programme or National Governing Body (NGB) equivalent.
- The current level of financial support provided by the NGB.
- Any funding received within the current financial year (starting April) through the Individual Sports Grant scheme (the maximum award of £1000 includes any funding previously awarded within the financial year).

\*Please note funding is limited and an eligible application does not guarantee an award will be made.



# Your Application

## Section 1 Your details

Applicant's name:

Date of Birth:

Go Card No:

Address:

Post Code:

Tel No:

Mobile:

Email (parent / guardian if under 16):

School/college/university (if in full time education):

Signature (parent / guardian if under 16):

Print name:

Date:

Information provided on this form will be used to process the application and may also be shared with National Governing Bodies and other sports representatives for the purposes of verification. By signing and submitting this application you are providing consent for this. This information will not be used for any other purposes.

## Section 2 Club details

Club name:

Sport:

Please provide contact details for a club representative who can verify first claim athlete status:

Name

Contact no:

E-mail:

## Section 3 What are you applying for?

Please read the guidance notes and tell us what you are applying for:

Category A grant

Category B grant

Category C grant

Talented Athlete Scheme

Sport Training Pass only

## Section 4 Competition details

Please provide details of the competition that qualifies you for Athlete Support:

Competition title:

Date:

Venue:

Level (e.g. national)

Use the space below to provide details of the performance including all applicable information e.g. placing, results, age group / category, representative details etc. Please attach additional information if necessary.

Please provide a website where performance can be verified:

## Section 5 Talented Athlete Scheme

Only complete this section if you have indicated you are applying for TAS funding.

Please use the space below to give details of the World Class Performance programme (or equivalent) that you are registered on:

Please provide contact details for a National Governing Body representative who can verify the above information:

Name:

Contact no:

E-mail:

Please provide a breakdown of the funding you are requesting:

Item	Details	Fund requested
Travel to training or comp.		
Training		
Equipment		
Accommodation		
Specialist Support		
	<b>Total</b>	

## Section 6 Other Financial Support

Please supply details of any other sporting grants, NGB funding or prize money you receive.

Please return your completed form to [goenquiries@gateshead.gov.uk](mailto:goenquiries@gateshead.gov.uk) or to Athlete Support, Go Gateshead Sport & Leisure Team, Gateshead Council, Civic Centre, Regent Street, Gateshead, NE8 1HH

