



Australian Biathlon Support Grant

The Australian Biathlon Support Grant for Outstanding Achievement in the sport of Biathlon.

Athletes Support Grant Application Form

This application form must be completed by the applicant. Only members of the Australian Biathlon Association Inc, who are Australian citizens may apply for this support grant.

This application will **ONLY BE ACCEPTED ONLINE and the details below are for your information only.**

Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Australian/ Victorian Biathlon Association Inc., (Australian Biathlon or AB) supports and encourages outstanding achievement for Australian involvement in Biathlon. This application is open to athletes who have demonstrated outstanding Biathlon performance and/or contribution to the growth of the sport. Applicants must demonstrate what they want to achieve with the support grant and how it will help achieve their goals.

The amount granted will be determined by the Australian Biathlon Support Grant Committee and may vary from year to year depending on availability of funds or quality of applicants. Australian Biathlon acknowledges the cost of investment in striving for excellence in sport and it is hoped this support grant will assist in some small way to subsidise the cost of competition.

The Australian Biathlon Support Grant Committee will select the successful candidate/s. The Committee's decision is final.

Dates:

Online applications open: This will be as advised to members

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Email submission of supporting information close: This will be as advised to members

Successful candidates will be notified by email and your bank account details will be requested.

Support grant recipients to submit receipts by: This will be as advised to applicants and is generally within 3 months of receipt of the grant.

Application:

1. Email the Executive Officer with the information on Form 1, as attached, informing that you will be an applicant for the AB Support Grant and request an identifier number.
2. On receipt of the identifier complete your application online. Here is the link to the application form: <https://biathlon.wufoo.com/forms/australian-biathlon-support-grant-application/>
3. Be sure to provide documents requested. These form part of your application.
4. Sign the declaration, scan and email to aus_biathlon@bigpond.com. Please refer to your application.
5. Submit your application online and either upload supporting documentation or email the attachments to:

The Executive Officer
Australian Biathlon
aus_biathlon@bigpond.com

Instructions for the applicant: For the application to be complete, the following items must be provided:

Biathlon Excellence:

- An online summary of your personal best results over the last 12 months including shooting accuracy. Please submit evidence of competition results.
- An online statement of no more than 300 words, telling us about your voluntary service to develop Biathlon in your local region, with dates, events and number of attendees
- Provide by email or upload attachments, evidence of outstanding biathlon achievement including
 - Three (3) results 2014 Australian and Victorian Biathlon Championship results showing top 3 placement; and
 - One (1) result from a 2014/15 European Biathlon Regional Competition results such as Alpencup, Swiss or Italian Cup or similar evidencing placement within 15% of the average of the first three place getters in your class; and/or
 - One (1) result from a 2014/15 IBU events - Junior World Championships, Open European Championships, IBU Cup, World Championships and World Cup evidencing placement within 15% of the average of the first three place getters in your class or top 15 in any event;
 - Highest Biathlon achievement and ranking in the event, in the previous 18 months

About you and your other achievements:

- An online statement of no more than 500 words, telling us about yourself, your interests, your aspirations in Biathlon, your achievement in other extra-curricular activities including service activities.
 - Other achievements
 - Current or previous scholarships or grants
 - Current extra curricular activities
- Provide by email or upload attachments:
 - Employment and career record - 5 dot points, max 100 words
 - 2014 Academic Records
 - One 2014 independent sporting reference such as from your school's sports master, the Director of your University's Elite Athlete Program or National Governing Body.
 - Character reference from an independent person such from your school, university or employer
 - One (1) passport photo and one (1) action photo minimum size 1 MB
 - A statement by your doctor in relation to any illnesses or injuries in the past 12 months.

You will be required to submit receipts evidencing use of this support grant as outlined in your application within 3 months of receipt of the funds. Failure to do so, will disqualify you from any subsequent grants, including IBU discretionary payments currently disbursed as an Australian Biathlon grant.

Your photo and story may be used by Australian Biathlon in any of its promotional material and may include media and sponsorship purposes.

Declaration and signature

I wish to be considered for the Australian Biathlon Support Grant for Outstanding Biathlon Achievement and I declare that I completed the application; the information submitted on this application form, including attachments is correct and complete. I understand that Australian Biathlon reserves the right to vary or reverse any decision regarding awarding of support grants made on the basis of incorrect or incomplete information provided in this application or for any behaviour not in accordance with Australian Biathlon’s Code of Conduct.

I declare:

- I am an Australian Citizen
- I am a financial member of Australian Biathlon
- I have provided Australian Biathlon with a signed current Athletes Agreement
- I have provided Australian Biathlon with a signed declaration of no prohibited association

I agree that my photos and story may be used by Australian Biathlon or its sponsors.

Signature of applicant

Name of applicant

Date

If the applicant is under 18 years of age declaration must be signed by a parent or guardian who is a member of Australian Biathlon

Signature of parent/ guardian

Name of parent/ guardian

Date

Privacy: All personal information collected remains private with Australian Biathlon and/or the support grant committee and/or donors to any AB grants, and will not be disclosed to any unauthorized third parties without your consent. Documents provided on this application will not be returned. You are reminded your photos and story may be used by Australian Biathlon or its sponsors for promotion, marketing or sponsorship.

Instructions: This page is to be completed and signed by the applicant, scanned and emailed to The Executive Officer, Australian Biathlon at aus_biathlon@bigpond.com. Be sure to refer the email to your application.

Form 1 – Personal information to be provided to the Executive Officer.

Email the Executive Officer on aus_biathlon@bigpond.com to let him know you intend to apply for the AB Support Grant and request an identifier number.

Given Name:

Surname:

Date of Birth:

Gender:

Residential Address:

Mobile:

Email:

If you lose this identifier, this will not be again provided, so be certain to retain it carefully on file. The unique number will change each year.

An incorrect entry of your identifier will mean your application will not be processed.

Personal Details to be declared on the on-line form. Do not complete and send this by email. It will not be accepted. This page is for your information only.

Your Current Identifier Number Provided By AB's Executive Officer

Be sure before you complete this form, you have written to the Executive Officer providing details as on Form 1 as on the instructions and request an identifier number. The form will only be processed with the correct number.

Name and address of school/ University/ Employer. Year of study and course name/ How many years employed? Max 300 words

For students please provide the name and address of your school or tertiary education institution as well as the Year of study and course name.

For those employed, please provide the name and address of your current employer and the number of years with them. If under 2 years, please advise same details for your previous employer.

Personal Best Performance over the last 12 months. Max 500 words

Supply Personal Best Ski Speed and Shooting Accuracy:

Details required:

Event

Best Ski Speed

Best Shooting Accuracy

Date Achieved

Name of Championship event at the time this was achieved

Please supply as an attachment, race results as evidence.

Further, refer to the instructions for race results to be submitted.

Tell us about your voluntary service to develop Biathlon in your local region, with dates, events and number of attendees. Max 300 words

Australian Biathlon encourages growth of participation and values efforts of members, coaches and athletes who invest time in sharing our enthusiasm for the sport, whether at summer or winter events.

Tell us about yourself, your interests, your aspirations in Biathlon, your achievement in other extra-curricular activities including service activities. Max 500 words

Let us know your current:

* other achievements

* current or most recent scholarships or grants

* extra curricular activities

Provide further documentation as detailed on the application instructions including:

* employment and career record, max 100 words

* 2014 Academic Records

* One independent sporting reference

* Character reference from an independent person

* passport photo and dynamic photo, min size 1 MB

* Statement by your doctor in relation to any illnesses or injuries in the last 12 months

Be sure to sign the declaration provided with the application instructions and scan it to AB's Executive Officer.

You are reminded that your photos and story may be used by Australian Biathlon in any of its promotional and publicity material.

How will you use this support grant and how will this subsidy help you achieve your Biathlon goals?

Please supply receipts to evidence use of the grant in accordance with your application. Receipts must be received no later than 3 months after receipt of this grant.

Upload the required documents. Be sure to refer to the application instructions for the list of documents to be submitted.

If you are unable to upload the required documentation, place them in a dropbox folder and email the link to The Executive Officer, Australian Biathlon at aus_biathlon@bigpond.com.