



GOVERNMENT OF BERMUDA
Ministry of Youth, Families, Sports and Community Development

Department of Youth, Sport & Recreation

31st January, 2011

To the Presidents of all Sport National Governing Bodies.

Dear President,

Re.: National Junior Athlete Sponsorship Programme

The National Junior Athlete Sponsorship Programme provides for recognition of promising young athletes who, by reason of age, would not yet qualify for assistance from the already established Elite Athletes Fund. Many of Bermuda's future Olympians have benefited from awards from this programme, which seeks to have each NSGB nominate one young athlete for consideration for an award to be utilized for their continued development.

Successful athletes are expected to be able to benefit beyond that which they would normally benefit at the hands of their National Sport Governing Body. For example the funds should not be seen to offset the cost of the successful athlete competing in a meet that the athlete would have been chosen to compete in even if she/he were not in possession of the scholarship award. The committee has also requested that it be pointed out that National Governing Bodies must provide an accounting for the full amount that is awarded.

Enclosed is a copy of the guidelines for the National Junior Athlete Sponsorship Programme, together with an application form to be completed on behalf of an athlete from your sport. I would appreciate it if you would study the guidelines carefully, and have the completed form returned to the Department by not later than **March 4, 2011**. Please note that **only** national sport governing bodies may submit nomination on their letterhead and that there is to be one nomination only, from each NSGB. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Calvin K. Simons".

Calvin K. Simons
Senior Sports Development Officer

cc: Director of Youth Sport & Recreation

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