



TRACK AND FIELD / ROAD RUNNING / CROSS COUNTRY

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ATHLETICS MANITOBA FEE INCREASES 2017-2018

In 2016-2017 Athletics Manitoba undertook an extensive review of its equipment inventory to understand the annual operating costs associated with equipment use, maintenance and replacement. The purpose in doing this exercise was to create an equipment maintenance plan for Athletics Manitoba. The equipment used to operate Athletics in Manitoba can be broken into four categories: 1) Consumables (i.e., ammunition, hip numbers, etc.); 2) Competition equipment; 3) Training equipment and 4) Technology (i.e., photo timing, computers, electronics)

For each area, an inventory was taken and for each piece of equipment we determined the cost of each item and its lifecycle. Using that information, we were able to create a formula that resulted in an annual operating/maintenance cost for each area. These spreadsheets are available upon request.

The purpose of the inventory review and the creation of the equipment maintenance plan is to ensure that AM and its members always have the equipment needed for training and competition.

This program will go into effect September 2017 and we review it annually until the end of the 2020 fiscal year. At that point, the suggestion is to lock in for 3 years at a time.

The rationale and background for the fee increases are as follows:

1. We need to hire an equipment manager to monitor the equipment and complete small repairs
2. We need to have a plan in place so we are able to constantly and consistently upgrade our equipment and be sure that we have training and competition equipment like high jump bars, weight bags and handles and block pads on hand so training and competition is not interrupted due to a lack or malfunction of equipment
3. There has been no plan and no budget in the last at least 10 years to manage equipment. Now that we know how much it costs to operate our sport, we can plan accordingly

A summary of the member fee changes effective September 1, 2017 are noted below:

Membership – the fee structure will stay the same and we will add an equipment levy to individual membership fees: \$2 for pee wee and bantams; \$5 for everyone else.

School program fees will be increased for the following programs in the following ways: Elementary relays: \$20 per school; Track Attack and High School Series: \$50 per school.

Participant Fees (Meets) – all meets will pay AM \$1 per participant in the meet (AM will also contribute this amount for the meets we run). The \$1 per participant per meet fee will be directed to the AM equipment fund. This will be invoiced after the meet is complete and will be the final step in sanctioning. The participant fees DO NOT apply to elementary relays, Track Attack or High School Series.

Exclusive Use Fees – all athletes who are train during exclusive use will be charged a \$40 fee to cover off costs associated with training equipment maintenance and replacement. This fee will be collected by clubs and paid to AM. This works out to \$0.33 a day for athletes who train 40 weeks a year, 3 times a week. The University of Manitoba (U of M) Bison Track and Field Team contributes to equipment maintenance through their program and AM's partnership with the University of Manitoba Faculty of Kinesiology and Recreation Management. This fee does not apply to athletes who are on the U of M roster.

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