



Hershey Blaze Track Club Registration 2019 Membership & Fee Descriptions

New Members: Those athletes new to Hershey Blaze Track Club should also include a photocopy of a birth certificate or passport

2019 Outdoor Track Season Fee Breakdown

Recreational Club- \$85 Competitive Club- \$135/\$95 Pre-Competitive Program- \$65
National Team Dues- \$60

**All competitive registration includes competition uniform top, facility rental fees, insurance, current USATF number. If uniform top is not needed then registration is \$95*

**\$10 second athlete discount and \$300 family maximum. This does not include national team.*

Club Registration Descriptions

Recreational Club (ages 9-14): is a non-competitive program for children interested in learning more about the sport of track & field. It is designed to expose younger kids of all athletic abilities to the skills and events. Team practices and activities focus on increasing endurance, establishing lifelong fitness habits, team support of individual goals and offering each participant an opportunity to experience the power of a strong self-image. Most of all, they are meant for all of the kids to have fun.

Competitive Club (ages 6-18): Those who are more performance oriented participate in weekly practice sessions designed to prepare them for regional and national level competition. Blaze athletes will learn proper running form, techniques and strategies that will help them grow and develop in the sport of track and field. These athletes also will learn and participate in a team atmosphere. For high school athletes- the competitive club can be a continuation of their spring school season which is generally short in scope.

Pre-Competitive Program (ages 4-8): The children will participate in a wide variety of running, jumping and throwing activities in a structured 10 session program. This program centers around physical activity and how it relates to a healthy and happy lifestyle. Designed for fun, fitness, and participation. The children will be able to participate in the Blaze Invitational and Chocolatetown Invitational. These athletes are also extended an invitation to register for the Blaze National Team and represent the club at the AAU Club Primary Championship in Disney World.

National Team: The Blaze National Team designation is for athletes who will represent the Hershey Blaze Track Club at the one or both of the mid-season National Outdoor Championship meets. Both of these meets are events that provide our athletes an opportunity to exhibit their progress on a national level but also show our might as club while competing for national, individual and team titles. Most importantly our goal is to have a committed group of athletes who enjoy the travel and comradery of our club at two awesome events. HBTC will not register athletes for either meet if they are not on the National Team Roster.



Other associated fees

Running Shorts/ Tights: HBTC requires that all athletes compete with a royal colored bottoms that match our tops. Athletes are free to choose whichever style or brand that suits them- as long as they match! We typically provide a discounted option at the time of registration if an athlete chooses. Participation on relays **REQUIRES** the same shorts for all runners.

Hershey Blaze Warm Ups: Though not required we encourage athletes to purchase one on their own. These can be ordered independently during registration or later through the website. Athletes may choose to have their names added to their warm ups as well.

Meet Entry Fees: Are not included in registration and typically run from \$6 to \$8 per event. These must be paid at the time of meet registration. Athletes age 12 & under may compete in up to 3 events in a meet. Athletes ages 13-18 may compete in 4 events. Families are expected to contribute to club fundraising efforts to lower the cost of meet entry fees to a flat rate of \$5 or \$15 per meet (*rate is determined by the meet*)

Blaze Gear and Accessories: Can be found on the HBTC website and purchased through our team store. Group orders are taken on the 1st of each month on our special Ultrafuse team items. These save in shipping costs.

Travel Costs: Traveling plans for meets are an individual choice. While many of the meets we attend are local (within 2 hours), we do attend meets that are further away and require hotel stays. These meets typically take place over the course a few days. On some occasions we may arrange for team travel with 15 passenger vans. The costs are then shared among those parties choosing those arrangements.

Club Fundraising: Though fundraising is not mandatory, it is expected that each family meet the club minimum \$100 goal. Fundraising helps to offset club administrative fees, equipment, insurance, end of season banquet and other related expenses of the organization.

Individualized/Small Group Training: Available with club associated certified coaches. Discounted pricing per session for club members. Limited space available.