



The Sun to Surf Half Marathon is passionate about supporting New Zealand athletes in the form of an Elite Athlete Support program for the Half Marathon distance.

For the inaugural race in 2019, athletes who have met the below standards are encouraged to apply for support. Support from the event may include:

- flights
- accommodation
- free entry
- position on the elite start grid

Supported athletes will be asked to generate positive Social Media (Facebook, Instagram and/or Twitter) content about the event in the weeks leading up to the event.

The level of support will vary and is at the Elite Field Coordinator's discretion. Support will depend on the athlete's athletic history, their public profile, their current form and the number of athletes applying for support.

## ELITE SUPPORT

The below times must be set between 1st Jan 2018 and 1st April 2019. Any exceptions are at the Elite Field Coordinator's discretion.

### Half Marathon

- Men: sub 1h12min\*
- Women: sub 1h24min\*

*\* New Zealand Registered Athletes - these times must be evidenced on the Athletics New Zealand Ranking System*

To apply for elite support, please email Craig Kirkwood:  
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