

Regulations Top Sports HZ
Stichting HZ University of Applied Sciences

The Executive Board of the Stichting HZ University of Applied Sciences;

Taking into consideration the mandating of the Executive Board to the Domain Coordinators and the Examination Committee HZ to the Module Examination Committees for taking decisions concerning support in terms of educational facilities;

Taking into consideration the consent of the Examination Committee HZ;

Enacts the following Regulations Top Sports HZ.

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Article 1. Definitions

The following definitions are used in this regulation:

1. **HZ**: the Stichting HZ University of Applied Sciences;
2. **WHW**: Wet op het hoger onderwijs en wetenschappelijk onderzoek (Dutch Higher Education and Scientific Research Act);
3. **Student**: person who is registered as a student at the HZ within the meaning of title 3 of chapter 7 WHW;
4. **OLC**: Programme Coordinator;
5. **Module Examination Committee**: Module Examination Committee as within the meaning of art. 10 Regulations Examination Committee HZ
6. **NOC*NSF**: Nederlands Olympisch Comité*Nederlandse Sport Federatie (Dutch Olympic Committee*Dutch Sports Federation);
7. **Top Sports Coordinator**: first point of contact for students within the HZ who hold a status in connection with the Status Regulations of the NOC*NSF

Article 2. Top Sports

- 2.1 These regulations are applicable to the Top Athletes recognised and acknowledged as such by the HZ, who are registered with the HZ as students.
- 2.2 A student may be recognised by the HZ as a Top Athlete if the following requirements are met:
 - a. Top Athletes who have been awarded an A status, Selection status, High Potential status or Federation status by the NOC*NSF¹;
 - b. Top talents who have been awarded an IT, NT, or Talent status by the NOC*NSF².
- 2.3 A student who practices Top Sports as within the meaning of the second section of article, must inform their Programme Coordinator.

Article 3. Financial and Educational Facilities Support

- 3.1 Top Athletes as within the meaning of article 2 may be given support of a financial and facilitating nature.

Article 4. Financial Support

- 4.1 The Regulations Profiling Fund HZ are applicable to applications within the framework of financial support for Top Athletes within the HZ.
- 4.2 In addition to the provisions in article 5.2 of the Regulations Profiling Fund HZ, to apply, the student must also at least:
 - a. submit documents which evidence the Top Athlete status as within the meaning of article 2.2;
 - b. submit any documents which show that the student is or is not eligible to claim and is or is not claiming any other underlying financial provision for the benefit of their studies.

¹ See Status Regulations NOC*NSF dated 1 January 2021 (www.nocnsf.nl)

² IT: international talent; NT: national talent

Article 5. Educational Facilities Support

- 5.1 Applications for education facilities support may pertain, among other things, to:
 - a. an exemption from (required) participation in lectures and group assignments;
 - b. changes to lecture times;
 - c. an alternative method for attending lectures;
 - d. an adjusted study programme;
 - e. other and/or additional examination opportunities;
 - f. the verbal completion of examinations.
- 5.2 The facilities referred to in the first section of this article pertain only to the completion of the studies within a reasonable timeframe while being combined with practicing Top Sports.

Article 6. Procedure for Educational Facilities Support

- 6.1 In September, if possible, a student, as within the meaning of article 2.2, in consultation with the Top Sports Coordinator and the Programme Coordinator, prepares an integrated study, performance, and sports plan for the relevant academic year. This plan includes the following:
 - a. the individual education programme for the relevant academic year;
 - b. the minimum study progress for the relevant academic year;
 - c. an indication of the graduation time;
 - d. a sports plan for the relevant academic year (training schedule/competitions timetable);
 - e. the desired educational facilities that require approval from the Domain Director;
 - f. the desired educational facilities that require approval from the Module Examination Committee.
- 6.2 The student submits the study, performance, and sports plan to the Domain Director and the Module Examination Committee for approval.
- 6.3 With observance of each other's authority, the Domain Director and the Module Examination Committee deliberate and decide on the study, performance, and sports plan, respectively the educational facilities to be provided.
- 6.4 Only after written approval from the Domain Director and Module Examination Committee has been received, the student may begin using of facilities and relying on the other contents of the study, performance, and sports plan.

Article 7. Legal Remedies

- 7.1 The decisions of the Executive Board within the framework of these regulations are subject to the Regulations Legal Protection Students and Externals.

Article 8. Final Provisions

- 8.1 These regulations were amended on 25-03-2021 and enacted on 25-03-2021.
All previous versions of these regulations are hereby revoked.
- 8.2 These regulations will be published on the website of the HZ.
- 8.3 These regulations should be referenced as "reglement topsport HZ" ("Regulations Top Sport HZ").