

Achievement Race Reimbursement Policy

Effective May 12, 2026 (adopted by Board of Directors on May 11, 2026)

This policy only applies to races completed after the effective date and replaces the “Boston Marathon Subsidy Policy” adopted October 10, 2016.

Houston Striders, Inc. shall reimburse qualifying race entry fees for members completing one of the following achievements for the first time:

- **Boston Marathon** — Completion of a member’s first Boston Marathon after meeting the qualifying standards established by the Boston Athletic Association.
- **100-Miler** — Completion of a member’s first officially organized foot race of at least 100 continuous miles. Eligibility of races will be determined by the Treasurer and/or Board of Directors, applying similar criteria as the 50 States Marathon Club.
- **Six Stars** — Completion of all six Abbott World Marathon Majors and receipt of the Six Star Medal.
- **50 States** — Completion of marathons in all 50 U.S. states in accordance with the rules and guidelines established by the 50 States Marathon Club.

Eligibility Requirements

To receive reimbursement, members must:

- Be a member in good standing*
- Have attended at least twenty (20) Houston Striders events prior to completing the achievement, as tracked through Heylo or another official club attendance system.
- Submit proof of completion and proof of registration payment through the reimbursement request form within one (1) year of completing the achievement.

Reimbursement Limits

- The maximum reimbursement amount is equal to the entry fee charged to accepted qualifiers for the most recent Boston Marathon.
- Reimbursement applies only to race registration costs and associated processing fees. Travel, lodging, meals, gear, and other incidental expenses are not eligible.
- This benefit may only be claimed once per member during their lifetime, regardless of achievement category.

The Board of Directors reserves the right to determine eligibility and interpret this policy in cases of ambiguity or dispute, and will be reviewed by the Treasurer and one other Officer.

**Defined as: dues are paid in full, and member has not violated club policies prior to both the time of achievement and the time of requesting reimbursement.*