

GUIDELINES

Sporting Competitions Access Fund 2020-21

Overview

The purpose of the Sporting Competitions Access Fund (the Fund) is to provide assistance to athletes with disability, enabling them to compete in national or international sporting competitions and allowing them to excel in their chosen sport at the highest possible level.

Definitions

Sport:

A human activity involving physical exertion and skill as the primary focus of the activity, with elements of competition where rules and patterns of behaviour governing the activity exist formally through organisations and is generally accepted as a sport (Sport Australia).

Disability:

A disability can generally be defined as a condition which may restrict a person's mental, sensory or mobility functions to undertake or perform a task in the same way as a person who does not have a disability (Sport Australia).

Eligibility

- Grants are available to support Tasmanian athletes with disability and their coaches and/or carers, competing at national or international level competition, held in Australia or overseas.
- Grants for national level selection competitions or selection camps will also be considered. The sport must be recognised by Sport Australia.
- Applicants must be able to demonstrate their selection for the event is based on merit and is fully endorsed by the relevant state or national sporting organisation.
- Funding from all sources should be detailed and attached to the application.
- Applications must be received six weeks **before** departure for the competition.
- Athletes in receipt of Tasmanian Institute of Sport scholarship funding are **not** eligible to apply.
- Eligible costs covered by the Fund include competition registration fees, travel and accommodation for the athlete, carer and/or coach.



Funding available

The Fund is open each financial year until 31 May or until available funds are exhausted. Applications will be assessed on a 'first-in' basis. Total funding available in 2020-21 is \$100 000.

There are two available tiers of funding:

- *Tier one:* An individual applicant can apply for grants of up to \$3 000 to support an athlete, their coach, and/or carer to attend the same national or international competition; or
- *Tier two:* An individual applicant can apply for grants of up to \$1 500 to support an athlete, their coach, and/or carer to attend the same national or international qualifying event or selection camp.

In the case of four or more separate applications made for one event, total funding will be limited to \$10 000 for that event. The funds will be divided between the successful applicants.

Applicants may be eligible for up to two grants per financial year.

Application process

Complete an application form and attach:

- Documentation from the relevant state or national sporting organisation advising of selection and detailing the selection process, classification (if applicable) and how attendance will benefit the athlete's development in their chosen sport.
- A statement detailing all event expenses and all funding sources available to the applicant.

Outcome and Notifying applicants

CSR will provide written advice on the outcome of the application.

Please note: Funding will be released to successful applicants on their return from the competition, on receipt of proof of attendance (such as boarding pass, event results, or other relevant documentation).

Contact details

Contact CSR by email at sportrec@communities.tas.gov.au or by telephone on 1800 252 476.

To submit your application:

Email your signed application form and scanned attachments to:

csrgrants.applications@communities.tas.gov.au

Alternatively, you can post your application and attachments to:

Grants, Sport and Recreation Infrastructure
Communities, Sport and Recreation
GPO Box 65
HOBART TAS 7001

If you have provided an email contact, you will receive an email confirming the application has been received.