

GUIDELINES

Sporting Competitions Access Fund 2021-22

Overview

The purpose of the Sporting Competitions Access Fund (the Fund) is to assist 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

- Eligible applicants are:
 - Non Tasmanian Institute of Sport (TIS) scholarship athletes with disability for expenses incurred by themselves, their coach and/or identified carer to attend a national or international level competition; and
 - Coaches and/or identified carers only of TIS scholarship athletes with disability for expenses incurred to support the athlete at the same national or international level competition.
- Grants are available for eligible applicants attending national or international level competitions 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.



- Athletes 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.
- Coaches and/or identified carers of a TIS scholarship athlete with disability must be endorsed by the TIS.
- Funding from all sources should be detailed and attached to the application.
- Applications must be received before departure for the competition.
- Grants will cover eligible costs incurred by the successful applicant, up to a maximum amount of \$6 000, for each national or international sporting competition.
- Eligible costs covered by the Fund include competition registration fees, travel (including additional baggage and freight of essential equipment) and accommodation for the eligible applicant.

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 2021-22 is \$150 000.
- An athlete with disability may receive a grant of up to \$6 000 to support themselves, their coach and/or identified carer for each national and international sporting competition.
- A coach or identified carer of a TIS athlete with disability may receive a grant of up to \$6 000 to support the athlete at each of the same national or international sporting competition.
- 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).
- Applicants are eligible for two grants per financial year.
- In the case of four or more separate applications being made for one event (or for teams' events), total funding will be limited to \$12 000 for that event with the funds being divided between the successful applicants.
- Eligible competitions are those held between 16 August 2021 and 30 November 2022.

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.
- For coaches and/or identified carers of a TIS scholarship athlete, a statement from the TIS supporting the applicant's role in accompanying the athlete to the same national or international sporting competition.
- 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 or event results) and proof of payment for eligible items (such as receipts or invoices) up to a maximum of \$6 000.

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:

Sporting Competitions Access Fund 2021-22
Communities, Sport and Recreation
Department of Communities Tasmania
GPO Box 65
HOBART TAS 7001

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