



# Memorandum

<b>To:</b>	All SLSNSW Clubs
<b>From:</b>	Surf Life Saving NSW
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<b>Subject:</b>	Grant Opportunity - Australian Sports Commission Local Sporting Champions Program (closing 30 June 2019)

**Round 1** of the 2019/20 **Australian Sports Commission (ASC) Local Sporting Champions Program** is now open, **closing 30 June 2019**. The program is designed to provide financial assistance for young people aged 12-18 years participating in **state, national and international level sporting championships** as either an athlete, coach, umpire or referee.

Funding of between **\$500 and \$750** for individual applicants is available, to contribute towards the cost of participation in the nominated championships:

- Base Grant: \$500
- Applicants travelling 800km – 1999 km to their nominated championships: + \$100
- Applicants travelling internationally or greater than 2000 km to their nominated championships: + \$200
- Applicants residing in a rural electorate: + \$50

Key points to consider when applying include:

- Applicants must be turning 12 to 18 years of age in the same calendar year as the nominated sporting championship
- Applicants must be an Australian citizen or have been granted permanent resident status, residing in Australia
- The championship event must be endorsed by the relevant ASC recognised national sporting organisation or by a School Sport Australia member body
- Applicants must be living more than 125 km from the championship venue, and travelling greater than 250 km (return) to participate in the nominated championship
- May receive a maximum of two grants in the same allocation year (1 March – 28/29 February) for attending either:
  - one state or national championships and one international competition; or
  - two different international competitions
- Must incur out-of-pocket expenses equal to, or greater than, the grant amount they are eligible to receive

**Applicants should apply once you have been selected to attend the championships and your participation has been confirmed. It is essential that you submit your application prior to the event.** It is important that you forward plan your application to ensure you receive notification and/or funding prior to your event, or in many cases, you may not receive notification until after your attendance at the championships, in which case the grant will be a reimbursement of costs incurred.

The application and guidelines can be accessed from [https://www.sportaus.gov.au/grants\\_and\\_funding/local\\_sporting\\_champions](https://www.sportaus.gov.au/grants_and_funding/local_sporting_champions).

Kind regards

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