



# Memorandum

<b>To:</b>	All NSW Clubs
<b>From:</b>	SLSNSW
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<b>Subject:</b>	Grant Opportunity - Australian Sports Commission Local Sporting Champions Program (closing 31 December 2019)

**The Australian Sports Commission (ASC) Local Sporting Champions Program** is now open, **closing 31 December 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 championships
  - an Australian citizen or have been granted permanent resident status, residing in Australia
  - participating as an athlete, coach, or match official in:
    - an official state championships endorsed by the relevant Sport Australia recognised national sporting organisation (NSO) or a School Sport Australia member body; or
    - an official national championships endorsed by the relevant Sport Australia recognised NSO or School Sport Australia; or
    - an international competition as a member of an official Australian team, representing a Sport Australia recognised NSO or School Sport Australia.
  - living more than 125 km from the championship venue, and travelling greater than 250 km (return) to participate in the nominated championships
- May receive a maximum of two grants in the same allocation year (1 March 2019 – 31 March 2020) 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). We encourage you to read these before completing an application.

This is a personal application therefore, should you have any questions about the Local Sporting Champions grants, please contact the funding body via (02) 6214 1462 or [lsc@sportaus.gov.au](mailto:lsc@sportaus.gov.au).

Kind regards

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