

SOUTH AYRSHIRE SPORTS COUNCIL

APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE BY INDIVIDUALS  
INCORPORATING DISABLED ATHLETES GRANT

- Individuals/Clubs must have been affiliated for 3 months before applications will be considered.
- Application forms by applicant or, where applicant is under 16 years of age, by parent or guardian.
- Retrospective grants will not be considered. (please read attached Guidelines)

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

1. ARE YOU AN AFFILIATED MEMBER OF SOUTH AYRSHIRE SPORTS COUNCIL? YES/NO
2. IS YOUR CLUB AN AFFILIATED MEMBER OF SOUTH AYRSHIRE SPORTS COUNCIL ? YES/NO
3. ARE YOU A MEMBER OF SOUTH AYRSHIRE ACCESS TO SPORT? YES/NO
4. NAME IN FULL \_\_\_\_\_
5. ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_
6. POST CODE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_
7. TEL NO: HOME \_\_\_\_\_ MOBILE \_\_\_\_\_  
EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_
8. SCHOOL OR COLLEGE ATTENDED \_\_\_\_\_
9. NATURE OF EMPLOYMENT (where applicable) \_\_\_\_\_
10. NAME OF SPORTS CLUB OF WHICH YOU ARE A MEMBER \_\_\_\_\_
11. ARE YOU A DISABLED ATHLETE? YES/NO  
If YES, Please give details:  
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12. SPORT IN RESPECT OF WHICH APPLICATION IS MADE

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13. PRESENT STANDARD (e.g. Member of Club, Region, District or National Team, etc).

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14. MAIN EVENTS COMPETED IN, OR OFFICIATED OVER, IN LAST YEAR (for individual sports include scores, placement etc)

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15. DO YOU REQUIRE SPECIALIST FACILITIES OUTWITH THE REGION?  
(e.g. training, courses, competitions). If so, please give details.

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16. IF ASKED, ARE YOU ABLE TO ATTEND A MEETING OF SOUTH AYRSHIRE SPORTS COUNCIL COMMITTEE OR IF YOU ARE A DISABLED ATHLETE - SOUTH AYRSHIRE ACCESS TO SPORTS GRANT COMMITTEE TO EXPLAIN YOUR APPLICATION?  
**YES/NO**

17. GIVE FULL DETAILS OF THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF YOUR GRANT APPLICATION.

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18. WHAT IS THE EXACT AMOUNT OF YOUR REQUEST? \_\_\_\_\_

19. GIVE AS MUCH SPECIFIC DETAIL AS POSSIBLE, INDICATING EXACTLY HOW THE AMOUNT REQUESTED WILL BE SPENT, e.g. COST OF TRAVEL, ACCOMMODATION, COURSE FEES, etc.

TRAVEL \_\_\_\_\_

ACCOMMODATION \_\_\_\_\_

COURSE FEES \_\_\_\_\_

**Proof of costs must be included with each application form.**

20. ADDITIONAL SUPPORT NEED REQUIREMENTS (IF APPLICABLE) i.e. WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORT, HOIST, SPECIALIST EQUIPMENT ETC

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21. IS YOUR CLUB PREPARED TO CONTRIBUTE TO THIS SPECIFIC REQUEST? **YES/NO**

IF YES, PLEASE PROVIDE DETAILS AND AMOUNTS. (See item 25) \_\_\_\_\_

22. ARE YOU PREPARED TO CONTRIBUTE TO COST? YES/NO  
IF YES PLEASE DETAIL AMOUNT

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23. HAVE YOU APPLIED TO ANY OTHER ORGANISATIONS FOR GRANTS OR SPONSORSHIP IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS? IF SO, STATE PURPOSE AND THE OUTCOME

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24. DO YOU GET PAID FOR COACHING? **YES/NO** IF YES PLEASE PROVIDE DETAIL

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25. IT IS A CONDITION OF SOUTH AYRSHIRE SPORTS COUNCIL THAT YOU INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING WITH YOUR APPLICATION.

1. A LETTER FROM YOUR CLUB CONFIRMING YOUR MEMBERSHIP WITH THEM.
2. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION, TO SUPPORT YOUR APPLICATION SHOULD BE ATTACHED, I.E. COPY OF SELECTION/ATTENDANCE OR CONFIRMATION LETTER.
3. PROOF OF RELEVANT TRAVEL/ACCOMODATION COSTINGS. E.g. flight booking, hotel booking form.

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I certify that all the information given on this form is, to the best of my knowledge, correct, and I understand that I must comply with the District Sports Council's requirements and would be liable to forfeit and/or repay the award in full or part in the event of non-compliance in any respect.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

CHECKLIST (to be included with your application)

- A LETTER FROM YOUR CLUB CONFIRMING YOUR MEMBERSHIP
- SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION, TO SUPPORT YOUR APPLICATION
- PROOF OF RELEVANT TRAVEL/ACCOMODATION COSTINGS

**(THESE ENDORSEMENTS MUST BE ENCLOSED IN ORDER TO CONSIDER YOUR APPLICATION)**

**SOUTH AYRSHIRE SPORTS COUNCIL**  
**SPORTS AWARDS**

**PURPOSE AND SCOPE:**

This wide ranging scheme of financial aid and grants is designed to assist:-

1. Individuals with potential or proven ability
2. Area teams or squads
3. Coaches and Officials

Support is offered to help meet the additional training or competition commitments required to move from a local level of performance to an Area or National standard.

Individuals or teams will normally plan their programme for training and competition on an annual basis. Applications should therefore be made to cover the total programme.

The aim is to supplement, rather than replace, voluntary effort and applicants must show evidence of their own commitment and performance. In addition, endorsement and comment by the appropriate Club/Area Association or governing body of sport is required.

**GRANTS POLICY AND GUIDELINES**

**1. EQUIPMENT –**

Only specialised equipment will be considered, and only then, when the Executive deems it to be unreasonable for the Club or individual to provide it as normal ongoing material.

**2. TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION –**

(a) Competitions:

(i) Voluntary Attendance –

No grant will normally be awarded.

(ii) Selective Attendance –

A grant will only be considered on the first occasion of a candidate's selection to a specific level of performance.

(b) Coaching:

(i) Voluntary Attendance –

No grant will normally be awarded.

(ii) Selective Attendance – A grant will only be considered when it is felt that a candidate will reach a higher level of attainment.

**3. Training Costs - Applications will only be considered for specialist training courses, but not for practice. This will refer to either individual or squad training costs and should be non-recurring.**

4. **Level of Grant** - Where an element of accommodation is included in a total package, that element will not normally receive more than 50% contribution. Where no "accommodation" is involved, the entire course fee and travel may be considered for the full grant.
5. **Attendance** - All applicants, personal or Clubs may be asked to be in attendance for provision of additional information when a grant application is considered by the Grants Committee. In the event of further information being sought regarding an application, if this information is not produced prior to the next meeting of the Grants Committee, the Application shall be considered to have been withdrawn. An updated financial statement, together with the last balance sheet in respect of Clubs, must be made available.
6. **Sponsorship** – Sponsorship may be considered where the executive deem appropriate in order to promote South Ayrshire Sports Council.
7. **Period of Grant Aid** – only one grant will be made in any financial year, that year to run 1 April/31 March.

#### **ADMINISTRATION ARRANGEMENTS:**

1. Application forms available from South Ayrshire Sports Council, Citadel Leisure Centre, South Harbour Street, Ayr KA7 1JB (01292 612391), [Sportsdevelopment@south-ayrshire.gov.uk](mailto:Sportsdevelopment@south-ayrshire.gov.uk) or from the web page: [www.sayrsportsc.co.uk](http://www.sayrsportsc.co.uk), should be completed and submitted with the appropriate documents.
2. The Club and Area Association or governing sports body should endorse and comment on the application. Where several applications are being submitted for consideration at the same time, the sports body must indicate the priority and rank order of the applicants.
3. **Retrospective grants will not be considered.** Notification of all grant applications must be received prior to the event or participation.

#### **Additional points to be borne in mind when considering applications.**

When dealing with the appeals for financial support for categories other than individual participation, coaching and officiating grants, the Sports Council will always take into account the annual subscriptions imposed by clubs, together with the weekly charges. It is the view of the Sports Council that annual subscriptions and weekly charges should be realistic and that this expectation should apply equally to youth and adult clubs. Weekly charges should reflect realistically the facilities used by the club and the facilities offered to members. It is the view of the Sports Council that the parents of young people taking part in club activities must recognise the costs involved in running youth teams and must be prepared to contribute towards these costs.

Sportsmen and sportswomen must recognise that participation in club activities does not end there and that the financial position of the club must be given due regard. Members must therefore be prepared to pay realistic charges for the privilege of taking part in their particular sport or activities and be prepared to be involved in appropriate fundraising activities.