WS NSW Athlete Grant Program 2017 - 2018

Information and Criteria

The WS NSW Athlete Grant Program is a form of funding to athletes for competition and training purposes.

GRANT APPLICATIONS
Grants will be made available to Full Members of WS NSW at the beginning of our financial year namely 1st April. All forms must be submitted by the specified closing date.

LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

GRANT TERMS
The term of a Grant will be one year commencing 1st April 2017 and concluding 31st March 2018. Grants will be based on performance/results from competitions held before 31st March 2017 as well as a 2017/2018 expected competition and training/activity schedule.

GRANT CONDITIONS
Applicants must;

- Be an Australian Permanent Resident
- Be a resident of New South Wales or the ACT
- Be a **Full** WS NSW member who is eligible to be classified internationally
- Be a current financial member of WS NSW
- Have no outstanding debts with WS NSW
- Participate in WS NSW programs and events.
- Train for and participate in wheelchair specific and multi-disability competitions as a WS NSW representative
- Participate in WS NSW administered and classifiable sports i.e. basketball (all classes), rugby (all classes), tennis, fencing (all classes) cue sports (all classes), archery (classes ARST, ARW1, ARW2), athletics (classes T51-T54, T34 and F51-F58), handcycling (divisions A, B and C), shooting (classes SH1, SH2), table tennis (classes TT1-TT5), powerlifting (all weight divisions), swimming (classes S1-S10), lawn bowls (classes B4-B8)
- Other classifications and sports may be considered on application
- Agree to the terms and conditions as specified in a Grant Agreement (issued upon successful application)

GRANT BENEFITS

- The grant will be put directly into the Athletes Levy Accounts and will be accessible at any time during the grant period for the purposes of their sporting participation.

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LEVELS OF ATHLETE GRANTS

- The WS NSW Athlete Grants will be awarded on 3 levels.
- Special consideration may be given to those athletes living in remote or rural areas.

CRITERIA FOR ATHLETE GRANTS

Note: *Athletes should meet* ***all*** *criteria for each Level. The Grants Committee retains discretionary power in awarding the 2017/2018 Athlete Grants. The Grants Committee's decision is final.*

Level 1

- International Senior Ranking of: Individual Top 10 or Team Top 5 within the past 12 months (where applicable). Note: The strength and depth of competitors in your chosen sport will be taken into account.
- Australian representation at World Championships, Paralympic Games or other sanctioned World events
- Current member of an Australian team
- Demonstrated plan to compete in regular international competitions during the term of the grant

Note*: Athletes will not be granted Level 1 funding until they have achieved consistent Australian team representation. If this occurs during the grant period, an upgrade to Level 1 will be considered, following a written application to WS NSW. Upgrades will not be considered for any other levels.*

Level 2

- National Ranking of: Where applicable Individual Top 5 or Team Top 3 (or has the potential) in the past 12 months. Note: The strength and depth of competitors in your chosen sport will be taken into account.
- State representation at National Championships or National League competitions.
- Competing internationally or has the potential to compete internationally.
- Demonstrated plan to compete in regular national and/or international competitions during the grant term.

Level 3

- Participate regularly in WS NSW programs and events.
- Potential to compete nationally and internationally.
- Demonstrated level of commitment to the sport(s) through regular training and competition.