

# Freedom Leisure

# Grant Guidelines

**Freedom Leisure** provides grants to clubs or individuals.

## **1. Grant Application Form**

This must be completed in **full**. Applicants who do not fill out the form in full, slow down the process of application and risk grant rejection, *for example*: by not giving any costs or the amount applied for.

Applications that are not completed accurately and fully will not be considered until done

**The referee must be independent**, i.e. it **cannot** be a family member. For individuals applications it should be the *Coach*, for clubs the referee should be a board member or the NGB.

## **2. The maximum grant that a club can apply for is £500**

Grants can be given for any amount **up to the value of £500**.

Freedom Leisure can financially assist clubs to **increase standards, development, and participation or purchase equipment**

## **The maximum grant an individual can apply for is £300.**

Grants can be given for any amount **up to the value of £300**.

Freedom Leisure can financially assist **talented and gifted individuals** in their pursuit for elite performance in sport **as an athlete or a coach**.

## **3. Recognition**

If applying for a grant the applicant must be willing to **promote freedom leisure** wherever possible. This can be in the form of media and wearing branding and promotional logos. In return the applicant will receive the grant and member qualities/benefits such as freedom leisure raising the profile of the applicant and the profile of the applicants sport through our social media feeds and our website as well as support from the sport development team at Worcester City Council

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Freedom Leisure:	Do Fund ✓	Do not Fund ✕
<b>General/All Applicants:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Grants of any amount <b>under £300</b> for individual or <b>under £500</b> for clubs</li> <li>✓ Students who are athletes or coaches that are <b>part of a club outside of their educational institution</b></li> <li>✓ Applicants who <b>live/train/educated</b> in Worcester</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✕ Grants of <b>over £300</b> for individuals or <b>over £500</b> for clubs</li> <li>✕ Students living in Worcester <b>temporarily</b> (regardless of whether they are an athlete, part of a team or a coach)</li> <li>✕ Applicants who do not complete the <b>application</b> form <b>accurately</b> or in <b>full</b></li> <li>✕ Applicants who do not write in <b>detail</b> the <b>costs</b> of <b>what</b> they are applying for and/or <b>how much</b> they are applying for</li> <li>✕ Applicants who have used family members for a reference (for individuals the <b>referee should be their coach</b>, for clubs the <b>referee should be a board member or the NGB</b>)</li> <li>✕ Successful Applicants <b>cannot reapply within one full year</b></li> <li>✕ We do not accept <b>duplicate grant request</b></li> <li>✕ Individuals or clubs in debt to Freedom Leisure <b>will not be considered for a grant.</b></li> </ul>

These guidelines were put in place as of 17<sup>th</sup> April 2018 – please note this is not a legally binding document

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## Individual Athlete Applicants:

- ✓ Athletes who are permanent **residents of Worcester City**
- ✓ Athletes who compete at **elite level**
- ✓ **Athletes who train in Worcester City** (with exception of athletes that live in Worcester but are not able to train here due to lack of clubs)
- ✓ Athletes who need new **equipment or kit** to compete or to develop
- ✓ Athlete's **competition fees** for national or international events or trials

- ✗ Athletes who **don't live** in Worcester (may be considered if they train in and compete for Worcester City)
- ✗ Athletes who don't compete or compete at a standard **lower than regional**
- ✗ Athletes **travel costs** to and from training or to and from competitions
- ✗ Athletes **accommodation costs** incurred when training or for competition
- ✗ Athletes **training costs** including gym memberships
- ✗ Athlete's **nutritional products**
- ✗ Athlete's **sports massage/therapies**

## Club Applicants:

- ✓ Sports Clubs who train in (for at least 6 months) and compete for Worcester City
- ✓ Sports clubs who have athletes or teams that compete at regional level or higher
- ✓ Clubs who need new **equipment or kit** to compete or to develop
- ✓ Club's **competition fees** for national or international events or trials

- ✗ Clubs who don't **train** for at least 6 months in **Worcester City** and **compete** for Worcester City
- ✗ Adult teams who compete lower than regional level or **don't compete**

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### Coach Applicants:

- ✓ Clubs who need funding to become **clubmarked** and the costs that this incurs
- ✓ Clubs who need to improve **standards, development** and **participation** or purchase **equipment**
- ✓ Emerging/developing **junior clubs** that have an **impact** on the **community** or combat **anti-social behaviour**.
- ✓ **Coaching courses for coaches** who coach athletes or teams that compete at regional level or higher and want to develop their skills
- ✓ Coaches who are permanent **residents of Worcester City**
- ✓ **Coaches who coach in Worcester City** (with exception of coaches who live in Worcester but are not able to coach here due to lack of clubs)

Exceptions will be considered and unique circumstances will be decided on an individual basis at the discretion of the committee representing freedom leisure.