



# Fencing Ireland Member Support Grants

## Terms & Conditions

### Introduction

Fencing Ireland is excited and proud to be able offer a grant system to help our members and to support their fencing endeavours.

This document sets out the relevant rules and regulations related to the grant.

### Applications

Applications will be accepted via an online form.

Applications will be open to fencing related projects of any nature so as not to limit the scope or ambition of applicants. Valid applications will be assessed in accordance with clear, transparent criteria, as detailed below.

### Application eligibility

To be eligible for a grant, applications must meet ALL the following criteria:

- Applicant must be a full member of Fencing Ireland holding any of the following memberships: Adult, Adult Leisure, Youth,<sup>1</sup> Student, Supporter, Life.
- The proposed beneficiary/user of the grant must be the applicant.
- Applications must be for projects related to the sport of fencing in Ireland or for Irish fencers internationally.
- Projects must not be discriminatory in nature or work against the policies or strategies of Fencing Ireland.
- Projects must not be seeking to replace the role of Fencing Ireland systems with external ones.
- Applications must be submitted before the published deadline for the relevant grant application window.
- Applicants must complete all relevant sections of the application form.

### Detail required

Applicants are asked in the form to provide detail of the funding amount required. They are also be provided with an opportunity to provide a breakdown of those finances where relevant. The application assessment, see below, will be based on the information provided in the form only. Applicants are provided a limited space<sup>2</sup> on that

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<sup>1</sup> In the case of Youth members, applications must be supported by a Parent or Guardian.

<sup>2</sup> In the initial form template this is set as a maximum of 3500 characters.

form to describe the purpose of the project and to speak to the headings under which the application will be assessed.

## Assessment of applications

Eligible applications will be assessed by a three-person group appointed by the board of Fencing Ireland.

Applications will be assessed under the following headings, each heading/area will be weighted as indicated in the 'points available column' below.

	Points available
Nature of project: e.g. aim of project, how it fits with Fencing Ireland's strategy and goals, etc.	25
Impact: e.g. how effective a project will be, will the impact be more broad or localised, etc.	25
Feasibility of project: e.g. how likely a project will be to succeed, how capable the applicant is to deliver on the project, etc.	25
Member funding history: over time and when feasible, Fencing Ireland will aim to spread the funds awarded from this project across our clubs and members.	25
<b>Total available points</b>	100

## Allocation of funds

It is within the remit of the assessors to propose grant awards that cover either the entirety or part of the amount requested in the application.

There is no requirement that the assessors award the entirety of the available funds in any round of applications.

Following their assessment of the applications, the assessors will send their recommendations to the board of Fencing Ireland for final sign off.

## Provision of funding

Successful applications will be provided awarded funding up front. Upon spending of the funds, relevant receipts will then have to be submitted to demonstrate that the funding was used for the appropriate purpose.