



1st State Team

Guidelines

As at July 27, 2010

The 1st State Team subsidy recognises regionally-based athletes selected to represent WA for the **first time** in a national event. It is designed to invest in the athlete's future performance over the next 12 months and is a precursor to the department's Smarter than Smoking Country Sport Scholarship Program.

[It is a requirement to discuss your application with your regional department office before applying.](#)

Who is eligible for assistance?

- You are eligible to apply if you have been selected to represent WA for the **first time** and:
- are aged 13-21 years (as at the date of application)*;
- permanently reside in a regional area of Western Australia;
- selection endorsed by the State Sporting Association.

*In certain circumstances, the department may consider athletes outside of this age-band on a case by case basis.

Who is not eligible?

Regional athletes who have relocated to Perth are ineligible i.e. those

- in boarding school full time;
- attending university/TAFE/higher education full time;
- working in the metropolitan area full time.
- who have not received a Smarter than Smoking Country Sport Scholarship in the same year.

When are applications due?

Applications are accepted throughout the year.

How much funding is available to me?

Individuals are eligible to a maximum allocation of:

- **\$300** p/person for those athletes who reside less than 500 km from Perth;
- **\$400** p/person for those athletes who reside between 501–699km from Perth;
- **\$500** p/person for those athletes who reside between 700km-latitude 26th parallel south;
- **\$600** p/person for those athletes who reside higher than the latitude 26th parallel south.

A sport with four or more athletes from the same region qualifying for the same national event will have their allocation capped at:

- **\$1,000** for those athletes who reside less than 500 km from Perth;
- **\$1,400** for those athletes who reside between 501–699km from Perth;
- **\$1,700** for those athletes who reside between 700km-latitude 26th parallel south;
- **\$2,000** for those athletes who reside higher than the latitude 26th parallel south.

How do I apply?

The following supporting documentation needs to be submitted with each application:

- Completed application form;
- Verification selection letter from the State Sporting Association
- Budget for the proposed representation.

What happens when I submit my application?

- A regional assessment will be made to determine if the application is eligible by assessing it against the criteria.
- If successful, the department will develop and forward a Grant Agreement which outlines the grant conditions and acquittal process. Once signed and returned, the grant will be paid via your organisation/association.

Do I need to provide evidence the money was spent appropriately?

Yes, successful applicants will be required to certify that funding was used for the purpose it was granted through the acquittal process.