



2026 ACTIVE KIDS

# GRANT ROUND FAQS



### **When does the Active Kids Grant open and close?**

The 2026 Active Kids Grant opens 9am (AEDT), Monday, 2 March 2026 and closes 5pm (AEDT), Friday 27 March via the Australian Sports Foundation SmartyGrants portal.

### **What grants are available in the 2026 Active Kids Grant round?**

Active Kids grants provide sports equipment and on-field or training kit, supplied by the Australian Sports Foundation partners, HART Sport and ISC Sport.

### **Who is eligible to apply for the Active Kids Grant?**

Volunteer-run community clubs and organisations with members aged 20 or younger and an active ASF account number. This can be found in the main menu of your ASF account below your Account Name. Your member number will start with ASFXXXXXX.

### **Does my club/organisation have to be volunteer run?**

Yes, your club/organisation must be volunteer run, with no association to a professional club, a for-profit organisation, school or Leagues Club. If you have any paid employees, you are not eligible to apply. Casual sporting staff such as coaches, trainers, physios, officials etc. are not counted as paid employees.

### **Can I apply for this grant as an individual?**

No, you must apply on behalf of a club/organisation that meets the eligibility criteria.

### **My club has adult participants, as well as members under 20. Can we apply?**

Yes, you can still apply for an Active Kids Grant. However, the kit and/or equipment you're requesting must be specifically encourage young Australians (aged 20 and under) to participate in sport.

### **My club has applied in previous rounds. Can we apply again?**

Yes, clubs who have applied in previous Active Kids Grant rounds, and were not successful, are encourage to apply again. If you have received an Active Kids Grant within the last two years, you will not be eligible for the 2026 Active Kids Grant.

### **What grant value can I apply for?**

There is no maximum grant value for this grant round. However, as funds are limited and the objective is to help as many clubs as possible, applicants are encouraged to only request what is necessary to improve the physical and mental health of young Australians through increased sports participation opportunities.

As a guide, the average grant value awarded in the previous two rounds ranged between \$3,500 and \$4,500.

If you are applying for a kit grant, orders must have a minimum value of \$2,200 GST inclusive.

Ensure your TOTAL amount requested includes freight costs and GST. Failure to include freight and GST may impact the final amount granted to you.

### **Can I apply for a cash grant?**

No, cash grants are not available in the 2026 Active Kids Grant round.

### **What happens if our league requires us to buy our kit from an apparel licensee that is not ISC Sport?**

Kit grants are for on-field items only (e.g. match day and training). If your teams are unable to wear items provided by ISC Sport, you will not be eligible to apply for the kit grant. However, you're encouraged to apply for the equipment grant.

### **What items of equipment and/or kit can I apply for?**

HART Sport and ISC Sport offer a range of equipment and kit that are covered by the Active Kids Grant.

### **However, the following items are excluded:**

#### **HART Sport**

**HART Sport's quote webpage will provide a range of products you can order. The following items WILL NOT be funded and MUST NOT be included in your HART Sport quote.**

- Awards, trophies, medals, podiums
- First aid kits, medical supplies and sports medicine items such as taping and ice packs
- Storage, containers, tubs, bags mainly used for storage, equipment rack, shelves and cupboards
- Electronic scoreboards, large electronic or digital display units
- Fixed or portable seating, shelters or structure including gazebos, marquees and tents
- Fencing, barriers and boundary panels
- Line marking equipment and supplies
- Water bottles, large containers, drink carriers and hydration powders, tablets or other consumables
- Coaching boards and aids that are primarily used for game planning or analysis such as whiteboards, magnets, pens and timing devices
- Fitness equipment not specifically made for junior and youth use

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## ISC Sport

ISC Sport cannot cater for the following sports due to their specialised nature:

Aircraft Sport	Ice Skating	Parachuting
Equestrian	Judo	Powerlifting
Fencing	Jujitsu	Snowsports
Gridiron	Karate	Taekwondo
Gymnastics	Martial Arts	Triathlon
Horse Racing	Motor Sports	Underwater Sports
Ice Hockey	Motorcycling	Water Skiing
Ice Racing	Outrigger Canoeing	Weightlifting

If your club participates in one of these sports, this does not preclude you from applying for a grant for HART Sport equipment.

### I obtained a quote for equipment and/or kit items before I heard about this grant. Can we use this for our Active Kids Grant application?

No, quotes must be from HART Sport or ISC Sport and cannot be dated before Monday, 2 March 2026.

### How do I add my organisation/club's ASF Member Account Number to my quote?

When creating a quote, you must provide your ASF Member Account Number:

**HART Sport:** Once your shopping cart is finalised, click Convert to Quote button and enter your details. In the "Enter your own reference number" field, enter your ASF Member Account Number in the following format: ASF123456.

Your ASF Account Number can be found via your account top left of the menu. Your member number will start with ASFXXXXXX.

**ISC Sport:** In the "ASF Member Account Number" field in the following format: 123456 (omit "ASF" from the number).

### When will I receive my order quote?

You will receive a PDF version of your quote within minutes of submitting your request to HART Sport or ISC Sport. It will be sent to the email address provided in the contact details section. If you do not receive your quote, please check your spam folder.

### If I am the application contact, do I need to be the person making the HART Sport/ISC Sport order?

When creating your quote, you should provide the contact details of the person at your club/organisation who be

responsible for finalising the order. This is particularly important for ISC Sport, where customised design requirements will need to be confirmed.

### If successful, when do I need to finalise my HART Sport/ISC Sport order?

All equipment and kit orders **MUST** be finalised by 5pm (AEDT) Friday, 29 May 2026. Otherwise, your Active Kids Grant may be forfeited.

### How do I complete my application?

Visit [asf.smartygrants.com.au/](https://asf.smartygrants.com.au/) and login with your SmartyGrants username and password. If you do not have a SmartyGrants account, you will need to create a new account.

### Do I need to be registered with the ASF to apply?

Yes. If your organisation has not previously signed up with ASF, you will need to do so here [asf.org.au/sign-up](https://asf.org.au/sign-up) before applying for this grant.

### What happens if I can't remember my ASF platform username?

Visit the ASF platform login page here: [portal.asf.org.au](https://portal.asf.org.au). Click, Forgotten Username and enter the email address you used to sign up for your account. A email will be sent to the address, please check your junk mail.

For more information, view our Help Desk here: <https://help.asf.org.au/a-122-how-to-find-or-reset-your-username>

### I can't remember my ASF platform password, what should I do?

Visit the ASF platform login page here: [portal.asf.org.au](https://portal.asf.org.au). Enter your username and then click reset password. A email with a reset password link will be sent to you, please check your junk mail.

For more information, view our Help Desk here: <https://help.asf.org.au/a-121-how-do-i-reset-my-password>

### What happens if I can't remember my ASF membership number?

Your ASF Account Number can be found in the main menu of your ASF account below your Account Name. Your member number will start with ASFXXXXXX.

### What do I do if I'm having problems with the SmartyGrants application form?

Here are some FAQs [applicanthelp.smartygrants.com.au/applicant-faq's/](https://applicanthelp.smartygrants.com.au/applicant-faq's/) on completing a SmartyGrants application. If you are still experiencing technical issues, you can contact SmartyGrants here: [applicanthelp.smartygrants.com.au/contact-us/](https://applicanthelp.smartygrants.com.au/contact-us/)

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### Can I submit more than one application?

No, only one Active Kids Grant application will be accepted per club/organisation per round.

### I've started my application; can I complete it at a later stage?

Yes, you can edit any section of your application via the SmartyGrants portal up until you press the final submit button. Your final application must be submitted by the closing date, 5pm (AEDT) Friday, 27 March 2026, to be assessed.

### I've submitted my application, but I need to change it. What do I do?

Once your application is submitted you will be unable to change your submission.

### I've submitted my application, what now?

Your application will be assessed by an independent panel, and you will be notified of the outcome of the assessment via the SmartyGrants portal and email address provided in your application. We aim to notify all applicants by Wednesday, 29 April 2026.

### Will all applications receive an Active Kids Grant?

No. Unfortunately, the number of applications is likely to exceed the amount of funding available for the 2026 grant round.

Remember though, as an ASF member, you can always set up an online fundraising project to collect tax-deductible donations to support your equipment and kit needs.

Getting started is easy: [asf.org.au/login](https://asf.org.au/login)

### How are the successful applicants chosen?

Applications are reviewed according to the assessment criteria outlined in the Guidelines document. An independent assessment panel ensures a fair and unbiased process. The number of successful applications will depend on the funds available.

### If my club/organisation is successful, will I be required to report on how we used the Active Kids Grant?

Whilst there are no formal reporting requirements, we would like to hear from you about how the grant is making a difference to junior and youth participation. The ASF may also be in touch for media and reporting purposes.

### Important Dates

All times in AEDT

#### Active Kids Grant round opens:

Monday, 2 March 2026 at 9am

#### Active Kids Grant round closes:

Friday, 27 March 2026 at 5pm

#### Assessment period:

Monday, 30 March - Friday, 10 April 2026

#### Notification period:

Wednesday, 29 April 2026

#### HART Sport/ISC Sport order deadline:

Friday, 29 May 2026

## HOW CAN I CONTACT THE ASF FOR THE FURTHER INFORMATION?

**Email:** [grants@asf.org.au](mailto:grants@asf.org.au)

**Phone:** 02 5112 0990

**Hours:** Monday – Friday, 9am – 5pm AEDT