



# KidSport Grant Application Guidelines

## About KidSport

KidSport is a community-based sport funding program established in 1993 by Sport BC. KidSport provides grants for children aged 18 and under from families facing financial barriers to participate in organized sport. There are 40 community chapters in BC—most of which are completely volunteer-run and over 165 chapters across Canada. KidSport BC is the BC chapter of KidSport Canada, a Registered Canadian Amateur Association ("RCAAA") with charitable status (88212 5986 RR0003). For more information, visit kidsport.ca/british-columbia or follow us @KidSportBC.

#### Who is eligible to apply for a KidSport grant?

- Families with children 18 and younger that are facing financial hardships can apply.
- KidSport uses the Statistics Canada Low-Income Guidelines as a tool to determine which families are eligible for assistance (see KidSport BC website for latest values). Applicants are required to submit a copy of their previous year's gross income (Income Tax Return) with their application for verification of financial status OR endorser verification. See application for details.
- Applications must be received prior to, or at the beginning of the requested season of sport

### What does a KidSport grant cover?

- Families could be eligible for approximately \$400 per child, per calendar year (January-December), depending on where they live (some chapters grant more or less than this amount, depending on their capacity).
- Sport activities must be affiliated with the member sport organizations of Sport BC (see sportbc.com/members) and demonstrate a sustained sport experience (a season of sport led by a qualified coach) for a minimum of 8 weeks and include at least one session per week.
- Camps, equipment, travel to playoffs, fundraising, championships, do not qualify.

#### How to Apply

- 1. Register your child in an eligible sport program.
- 2. Visit kidsport.ca and find your local chapter to apply online or download a paper application. If your community doesn't have a local chapter, you can apply through KidSport British Columbia's Provincial Fund (https://kidsportcanada.ca/british-columbia/provincial-fund/).
  - You will need your Notice of Assessment from the most recent tax year that shows line 15000. To obtain your most recent Canada Revenue Agency Notice of Assessment, contact Revenue Canada at 1-800-959-8281 or log into your CRA Account online.
  - If you're using the paper application, you can either submit with your Notice of Assessment OR have an endorser complete Section 4 of the application. An endorser acts as an objective third party who is familiar with the athlete's family and is in a professional position to assess the social and economic barriers of the family.
- 3. Ensure your application is complete and signed before submitting.
- 4. If you qualify for KidSport funding, the grant will be sent directly to the sport program your child has signed up for. Please allow up to 60 days for notification of application status.







Note: The parent/guardian, or sport organization must notify the KidSport Chapter in their area or KidSport BC if the athlete withdraws from the sport activity. The grant must be used by the athlete for whom the grant was approved – no portion of the grant can be transferred to someone else.

#### Contact us

If you have questions or need assistance with applying, please contact your local chapter, or you can reach our Provincial Office staff by phone at 604.333.3434 or email kidsport@sportbc.com.

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