



BEST OF THE BEST APPLICATION FOR GRANT AID

INTRODUCTION

This form is designed only for amateur athletes / coaches who have been residing in the Armagh area for a minimum of a three month period and who bestow pride upon themselves, their club and Armagh sport by gaining recognition at Olympic, International or Provincial level.

Selection brings with it a great deal of responsibility and commitment, with competitions and training, Armagh Sports Forum propose to make this burden a little easier to carry by making available grants to assist in the costs of travelling to competitions, costs of accommodation, access to adequate training facilities (Silver Card) or other relevant needs.

A total of 60% will be grant aided to all representative athletes / coaches within the District with the minimum representative honour at Provincial level and above. [Up to a maximum of £300]

WHAT WE DO FUND	WHAT WE DON'T FUND
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mileage to squad training sessions and to competitions at 25p per mile • Travel expenses (i.e. boat, bus, flights, train) • Accommodation / Subsistence £30 per night (not affected by 60% calculation) • Enabling fund (20% will be added to an individuals claim on proof of Section 75 status) • Bursary towards individuals seeking additional coaching qualifications that may not be available in the area (Provincial Level and above) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equipment • Clothing • Food / Meals • Insurance • Entry Fees / Application Fees

CRITERIA

1. Applications will only be accepted on official forms available from Armagh Sports Forum.
2. Applications are welcome at any time of year although patrons are reminded that they are restricted to **two** applications for different purposes in any financial year. Applications are considered on a quarterly basis.
3. Applicants seeking use of facilities for training purposes may be granted use of Council Facilities on an annual basis via the Silver Card Scheme. **Applications must be renewed annually.** Applicants applying for both facility access and grant aid, if successful, will receive 75% of the total grant and a Silver Card.
4. All recipients will be asked to complete a monitoring form, which will be forwarded three months after the award.
5. It is possible for assistance to be given to someone in receipt of, or applying to other sources for aid for the same purpose, however details must be given in the application.
6. Applicants must produce a letter to confirm their selection from their Governing Body, (i.e. GAA, IRFU, IFA, IHA) stating dates and venues of competition and the Governing Body contribution to the athlete for the purpose of expenses.
7. All individuals involved in sports recognised by the Sports Council Northern Ireland are eligible for application. Special consideration will be given to Road Bowls considering its affinity with the area.

Completed forms should be returned to:

Armagh Sports Forum, The Council Offices, The Palace Demesne, Armagh, BT60 4EL

t: 028 3752 9636 f: 028 3752 3064 e: armaghsportsforum@armagh.gov.uk



APPLICATION FORM

1. Firstname: Surname: DOB: Age:

Address: Postcode:

Telephone / Mobile No: Email:

2. Sport Represented: Governing Body:

Squad Selected for:

3. What are you applying for: Financial Aid [] Facility Access [] Both [] (a total of 75% of grant and Silver Card)

TYPE	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
Accommodation / Subsistence	No. of nights x £30.00	
Mileage (Squad Sessions / Competitions) - attach breakdown	No. of Miles x £0.25	
Travel Expenses (Boat, Bus, Flights, Train)		
Other (please detail)		
TOTAL		

5. If financial aid is required, please state amount: £

6. Have you applied for funding from other agencies? Yes [] No []

If yes, please give details:	Organisation	£

7. If facility access is required please tick which site:

- The Orchard Leisure Centre Loughgall Country Park
- Keady Recreation Centre Tandragee Recreation Centre

8. Please give details of how you feel your application can benefit Armagh Sport:
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9. Declaration:

I, hereby declare that all information in this application is accurate and correct and understand that if found to be untrue, this application will be declared null and void, and future rights to apply will be forfeited.

10. Checklist:

- Have you completed the application in full and signed at the bottom.
- Enclosed a copy of Governing Body letter confirming selection.
- Enclosed Bank Details (Account No, Sort Code, Bank Name and Branch).

OFFICE USE ONLY	
Date Received
Reference
Date paid
Amount