

# Talented Athlete Scheme 2020

## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

- Q1. I'm not sure if my sport is recognised, how can I find out?  
A Sports officially recognised by Sport England are located via the following link  
<https://www.sportengland.org/our-work/national-governing-bodies/sports-that-we-recognise/>
- Q2. I'm not sure if my sport's National Governing Body is recognised by Sport England, how can I find out?  
A Details of National Governing Body contacts are available online from Sport England  
<https://www.sportengland.org/our-work/national-governing-bodies/sports-that-we-recognise/>
- Q3. I represent my school at competitions in Hampshire and beyond, does this mean I will be accepted onto the talented athlete scheme?  
A No, this scheme is aimed at club/community sport and **not** school activity. Applicants should only provide information and supporting evidence for official National Governing Body activities, School competition will not be considered.
- Q4. After I submit my application when will I hear from you?  
A Once we receive your application form we will Email you an acknowledgment within 5 working days if you have not heard from us in this time please contact us to ensure your application was received. Email: [talented.athlete@iow.gov.uk](mailto:talented.athlete@iow.gov.uk), Tel: (01983) 823818
- Q5. I was successful in applying to the Talented Athlete Scheme previously, can I apply this year?  
A Yes, although receipt of sponsorship in previous years does not guarantee that your application will be successful in this round. Applications will be assessed using the fresh information supplied. It's also anticipated that a new wave of additional talented athletes will have emerged.
- Q6. I was unsuccessful with my previous application – can I apply for this funding round?  
A Yes, as long as you still meet the minimum criteria for this Talented Athletes Fund. All Applications will be assessed using the fresh information supplied.
- Q7. I am in support of sponsorship / funding from other sources, can I still apply?  
A Yes, providing you meet the minimum criteria for this Talented Athletes Fund you will still be accepted.
- Q8. If I miss the deadline will my application still be accepted?  
A No, all applications MUST be received by the deadline stated.
- Q9. If I miss the deadline can I apply at another time during the year?  
A No, the sponsorship is on an annual basis only, with one submission date.
- Q10. If I am unhappy with the decision can I appeal?  
A The decision is in accordance with the criteria, evidence supplied and the relevant NGB (National Governing Body) talented pathways. To make an appeal you must email the Strategic Manager at [Talented.Athlete@iow.gov.uk](mailto:Talented.Athlete@iow.gov.uk) or write to Isle of Wight Council, County Hall, Newport, IW PO30 1UD with further evidence and reason why within 5 working days on receipt of the decision outcome. The Strategic Manager will assess all the available information in light of your reasons for making the appeal and will write to you to tell you the outcome of the review.