

Important information for sports groups applying to Awards for All

Awards for All is a joint scheme of the Big Lottery Fund, the Scottish Arts Council and **sportscotland**. This means if you apply to Awards for All for a sports-based project, funding is most likely to come from **sportscotland**.

Due to constraints on **sportscotland**'s budget, this distributor can only fund a **maximum** of £15,000 to a single organisation.

This means that if an organisation has previously been successful, they can only reapply if the **total value** of awards made to the group **will not exceed £15,000**. So, if the total value of awards to date is £14,500 a group can only apply for another £500 from Awards for All. The £15,000 can be split over any number of awards, bearing in mind the minimum amount you can apply for is £500 and the maximum £10,000. You can also only be awarded a maximum of £10,000 in any 12 month period.

If you have free reserves in excess of the total cost of your project, **sportscotland** may decide not to fund your project in most cases.

The reason for this is that demand for funding is high and **sportscotland**'s budget is limited.

Following risk assessment of applications during the assessment process, **sportscotland** may also decide to award a **maximum of £5,000 to new organisations**.

Tips for sports projects:

If you are applying for a **capital project**, read our **land and buildings** factsheet.

If you have **already received funding** from Awards for All, make sure the total over all your awards would **not exceed £15,000** if applying again.

If you are a **new organisation**, bear in mind **sportscotland** may only fund **up to £5,000**.

Focus on the **sporting benefit** of your project. In our experience projects are more likely to be successful if they can show how they will lead to widened participation in sport or improvements in the quality of sporting facilities for the community.

Awards for All is unlikely to fund **like-for-like replacement** of old equipment but can fund new equipment to improve sporting provision.

If you are in any doubt about the eligibility of your project, please get in touch by **phoning 0870 240 2391** or by **emailing** us at enquiries.Scotland@biglotteryfund.org.uk.