



# 2013 KidSport™ Grant Application Guidelines

KidSport™ is a community based sport-funding program established in 1993 by Sport BC. KidSport™ provides grants for children ages 18 and under to participate in a sport season of their choice. There are 40 community chapters in BC and over 175 chapters across Canada. KidSport™ works to fulfill its mission of eliminating the financial barriers to sport participation, 'So ALL Kids Can Play!' For more information, please visit [www.kidsport.bc.ca](http://www.kidsport.bc.ca).

## Consideration

KidSport™ considers the social and economic barriers facing the athlete's family when determining eligibility for funding. To help manage the increased demand and to ensure fair distribution of funding, the following screening criteria will be applied:

- As resources allow, first time applicants will receive priority for grant funding
- Returning applicants will be considered on a monthly basis, as funding permits
- Applications currently on file will be processed as funding permits
- Unsuccessful applicants will be notified as quickly as possible

## Guidelines

- Children ages 18 and under are eligible to apply for a grant
- Grants of a maximum of \$300 are to be used for the payment of sport participation/registration fees
- Camps, equipment, lessons, travel to playoffs, fundraising, championships, etc. are not eligible expenses
- Only one application per calendar year, for one eligible sport, may be submitted
- Applications must be received prior to, or at the beginning of the requested season of sport
- Sport activities must demonstrate a sustained sport experience (a season of sport led by a qualified coach) and the sport activity must be affiliated with the member sport organizations of Sport BC
- Preference is given to first time applicants
- Incomplete applications will be returned

## Adult Sponsor - Section 3

- An adult sponsor, (parent, guardian, counsellor, coach, friend), other than the Reference, must initiate the application on behalf of the child. Adult Sponsors cannot be affiliated with the Sport Organization
- The adult sponsor fills out sections 1 to 4 and passes the application to a Financial Verification Reference
- It is the responsibility of the adult sponsor to ensure the application is complete and submitted to KidSport™.

## Grant Distribution - Section 4

- Once the completed application is received and approved by KidSport™, a cheque will be sent to the sport organization or the adult sponsor
- KidSport™ prefers to issue funds to a recognized sport organization and will issue funds to the adult sponsor only if a receipt or cancelled cheque proving the payment of registration fees is included with the application
- Please keep a photocopy of the application for your records
- Please allow a minimum of 60 days for review of application; processing time will vary depending on the availability of funds

## Financial Verification Reference - Section 5 *(Please read carefully)*

The Reference is the most important step in the KidSport™ application process. **This individual verifies that without KidSport assistance, the child would not be able to participate in the season of sport.** The Reference 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 facing the family.

- A Reference can be a professional in social work or family services, a school principal or counsellor, a senior recreation administrator, accountant, law enforcement officer, a registered physician or nurse, or a priest or pastor
- References, other than those listed, may be considered if a written letter from the potential Reference outlining the financial need of the family is included with the application
- References **cannot** be associated with the sport organization and they cannot be a family member
- For school sports, school principals or counsellors are not accepted as References

## Application Approval

Notification of the status of the application will be sent to the adult sponsor as soon as a decision is made. If the application is approved, a copy of the letter of notification may also be sent to the sport / recreation organization specified on the application and other sport organizations as required. The parent, guardian, or sport / recreation 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.

## Privacy / Confidentiality

KidSport™ respects your privacy. We never sell, trade or loan your information to any other organization. Information provided in this application is being collected for the purpose of administering KidSport™. This information will only be disclosed to KidSport™ personnel who need the information to carry out the responsibilities of their job, and to other organizations who may need to be contacted in order to process the application. Statistics are reported at the regional, provincial and national level. Individuals are not personally identified. For more information on our privacy policy, please visit [www.kidsport.ca](http://www.kidsport.ca).



# 2013 KidSport™ Port Alberni Grant Application

All five sections of the application must be filled out completely. Incomplete and illegible forms will be returned. The adult sponsor completes sections 1 - 4, then passes the application to the Reference to sign. Please see 2013 Application Guidelines for complete details on application process. Application must be submitted to the KidSport™ chapter in your area or to KidSport™ BC.

Section 1: Athlete Recipient	
First Name:	Last name:
Address:	
City:	Postal Code:
Telephone: ( )	Email:
<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Birth Date:
Sport activity for which the grant will be used:	
Sport season (ie: Sept-March):	
<b>Full Registration Cost:</b>	Grant Request (max \$300)
Section 2: Sport Organization	
Club / League / School:	
Address:	
City:	Postal Code:
Telephone: ( )	Email:
Contact:	Position
Section 3: Adult Sponsor	
First Name:	Last name:
Address:	
City:	Postal Code:
Telephone: ( )	Email:
Relationship to athlete:	
I agree, to the best of my knowledge the above information is accurate: Signature of adult sponsor:	Date:
How did you find out about KidSport: <input type="checkbox"/> Sport <input type="checkbox"/> Organization <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Centre <input type="checkbox"/> Website <input type="checkbox"/> School <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
Section 4: Grant Distribution	
Please make the KidSport™ cheque payable to (check one box only):	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sport organization (KidSport™ prefers to issue funds to recognized sport organizations. Please ensure the mailing address is correct.)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Adult sponsor (a receipt or cancelled cheque for payment or registration fees must be included)	
Section 5: Financial Verification Reference	
*This section must be completed by the Reference prior to submitting application form. Please see guidelines for full details.	
First Name:	Last name:
Position:	Organization:
Address:	
City:	Postal Code:
Email:	
Telephone: ( )	Fax: ( )
<b>I have thoroughly read and understand the guidelines of KidSport™ and agree this applicant meets the guidelines. I believe the family of this applicant has financial need and a grant from KidSport™ is essential to the child's participation in a season of sport. I agree to participate in a brief telephone follow-up if required.</b>	
Signature of Adjudicator:	Date:
For Office Use Only	
Application Number:	Approved: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Approved By:	Approved Date:
Approved Funding Amount:	Has the athlete receive a KidSport™ grant before: