



SPORTING SCHOOLS UPDATE

September-October 2020

Victorian Schools

Sporting Schools is closely monitoring the latest government COVID-19 health advice for Victoria and the operating environment of schools. To ensure Victorian schools continue to be able to utilise Sporting Schools funding in Term 4, we will postpone the approval of grant applications from Victorian schools until the start of Term 4.

In the week commencing 5 October, Sporting Schools will email successful schools an online form seeking the school's preference in utilising Term 4 funding. Schools will have the below options:

- If the school is able to deliver a Sporting Schools coach or teacher-delivered program with a minimum of four sessions of 45-60 minutes per participant, they will receive the full grant amount requested.
 - If the school is unable to deliver a program, they can elect to receive a reduced grant amount of \$650 (excluding GST) which can be spent on supported expenses including online resources, professional development or equipment as per the [exceptional circumstances spending factsheet](#).
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WA Government Schools

Unfortunately Term 3 2020 grant payments to WA government schools have regrettably been delayed, and it is likely that schools will not receive their funds until the end of Term 3.

Sporting Schools have implemented some measures to assist schools in delivering their planned Sporting Schools programs given the circumstances.

If the school is unable to deliver their Term 3 2020 programs due to the delayed receipt of funding, Sporting Schools will extend the funding period so they can deliver their programs up to and including week 4 of Term 4 2020.

Sporting Schools will accept invoices relating to program delivery and associated supported expenses as per the [Spending Fact Sheet](#), dated up to and including **Friday 6 November 2020**. If schools choose to use their Term 3 grant in Term 4 due to the late payment, it is important to note that the Term 3 funding cannot be combined with Term 4 funding for Term 4 related program delivery.

Please note this is a one time exemption and under normal circumstances schools need to spend their funding during the approved funding period (school term).



Key Sporting School Dates

- **11 September:** Term 4, 2020 grant applications **closed**
 - **11 September:** Term 3, 2020 booking system closed for schools (after this date, only retrospective coach delivered bookings can be raised by NSOs)
 - **14 September:** Term 4, 2020 booking system open
 - **2 October:** Term 3, 2020 booking system close for sporting organisations (bookings need to be finalised in the system by this date, any NEW or PENDING bookings will be updated to UNACTIONED)
 - **16 October:** Term 3, 2020 grant acquittals close
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