

BOB BEARPARK BURSARY AWARD PROGRAM GUIDELINES

Deadline: Applications will be accepted until Wednesday, August 15th, 2018 at 11:59pm PST.

Courses and events occurring between April 1st, 2018 and October 31st, 2018 are eligible.

BACKGROUND:

The Bearpark Foundation was established in 1997 to support coaching education in British Columbia as an ongoing memorial legacy to Bob Bearpark. As a former Canadian National Soccer Coach and Director of BC Sport Services at the time of his death, Bob was devoted to the ongoing professional development of coaches in this country. He is remembered for his dedication to sport from the grassroots to elite levels and for his career in physical education, coaching and sport administration.

Consistent with Bob's philosophy and in partnership with viaSport, the Foundation has special bursaries to support high performance coaches, female coaches, indigenous coaches, coaches of athletes with a disability, and coaches with a disability.

The Directors of the Bearpark Foundation would like to thank the many donors and supporters of this coaching education legacy to British Columbia.

WHO CAN APPLY?

- Female coaches
- Indigenous Coaches
- Coaches of athletes with a disability, or coaches with a disability
- High performance coaches looking to upgrade their coaching qualifications (eg. training, certification) through the National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP)

PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

Applicants may apply to one of two bursary funds:

Equity & Access - These bursaries are intended to assist the following population groups: female coaches, indigenous coaches, coaches of athletes with a disability and coaches with a disability.

The maximum funds available to any one recipient is \$250.00

High Performance Coach Education- These bursaries are intended to provide incentive and assistance for high performance coaches looking to upgrade their coaching qualifications (eg. training, certification) through the National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP).

Bursaries will be available to coaches residing in BC, who are undertaking NCCP Competition-Development modules and/or evaluations, or Advanced Coaching Diploma modules.

The maximum funds available to any one recipient is \$250.00. Eligible costs can include course registration fees, course materials, evaluation fees, and acceptable travel if necessary.

APPLICATION CRITERIA AND ASSESSMENT:

Applications will be assessed based on the following criteria:

- Applicant must be completing an NCCP multi-sport or sport-specific coach training course or certification evaluation between April 1st, 2018 and October 31st, 2018,
- Applicant must be a B.C. resident (for at least twelve months),
- Aligned with the purpose of the grant and acceptable use of funds,
- Only one application per person will be accepted,
- Submitted by an eligible applicant using the online form

SELECTION COMMITTEE:

Eligible applications are evaluated by a review panel consisting of specialists in the sport field. The panel members are chosen to ensure balanced representation. The panel bases its recommendations on the eligibility and assessment criteria described in these guidelines, within the context of the applicant's organization, community and regional needs.

HOW TO APPLY:

Complete the online application form on the [viaSport website](#)

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You are able to save the form and return to it at a future time. Please copy the link given and save it in a safe place. You can use this from any computer anytime within the next 30 days to resume answering questions on the form. Without the link, the data you have entered cannot be retrieved and you will have to start filling out the form at the beginning.

You may also have the link emailed by entering your email address and clicking send. If prompted with an error message, please remember to re-select all applicable check boxes/drop down menus (i.e. Province, Sport, etc.) and re-upload any attached documents before submission.

If you wish to discuss your proposal and its eligibility prior to submitting an application, contact:

viaSport Granting Team

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