

# SPORTS RECOVERY GRANTS

**YOUR COMPLETE GUIDE TO  
APPLYING FOR A SPORTS  
RECOVERY GRANT WITH  
THE AUSTRALIAN SPORTS  
FOUNDATION**





# A MESSAGE ON BEHALF OF THE ALLIANCE FOR SPORTS RECOVERY

We now invite applications from community sports clubs and others affected during the recent summer of natural disasters.

Funds are available to help affected clubs and participants get back into sport. We know that natural disasters have a huge impact on the mental health and resilience of affected people and communities. We also know that sport plays a significant role in fostering positive mental health and rebuilding community and individual resilience – by bringing people together through a shared interest, and by encouraging healthy physical activity.

Of course, we understand that much of community sport is currently suspended due to the impact of Covid-19, but sooner or later we will all be able to get back on the track or our playing field of choice, and the Alliance for Sports Recovery wants to help make sure that affected communities and clubs are ready to meet this need when that time arises.



Conscious of the many demands on people's time at present, we have made the application process as simple as possible. If your club or community has been affected, or you have members or participants who will need help getting back into sport, please read these guidelines and submit your application for a Sports Recovery Grant.

With best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patrick Walker".

Patrick Walker  
CEO  
Australian Sports Foundation

## THE ALLIANCE FOR SPORTS RECOVERY





# THE GRANTS PROGRAM

SPORT RECOVERY

In response to the Bushfire Crisis the Australian Olympic Committee, Commonwealth Games Australia, Paralympics Australia and the Australian Sports Foundation have joined forces to restore grassroots sport to communities affected by the bushfires or other natural disasters.

The Sports Recovery Grants will be focusing on the organisations and community members who have been affected by the recent bushfires – or in different parts of the country, floods or other disasters - and require assistance to resume playing sport in their community.

Suggested grant values are up to \$20,000, and priority will be given to applications from volunteer run organisations.

## OBJECTIVES AND ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

The Sports Recovery Grants are intended to encourage and support the return to participation of all Australians in sport in the wake of the bushfires and similar natural disasters to ensure that sport can play its important role in healing and restoring communities.

The grants will be used to fund essential needs such as:

- Replacing lost or damaged sporting equipment or kit,
- Replacing lost or damaged uniforms; and
- Replacing lost or damaged small infrastructure items such as canteen equipment, mowers, rollers etc
- Providing fee relief or other financial support to members who have suffered loss or damage to property, homes or businesses, and who may also need help getting back into sport.

Items referred to must have been damaged or destroyed in the 2019-2020 Australian bushfires or other natural disasters, restricting access to sport.

## ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Applications will only be accepted by organisations or clubs, and must:

- be received on or before the closing date for applications of 5pm AEST Friday 8th May 2020
- Be in an area affected by the 2019-2020 Australian bushfires or other natural disasters, or be applying for members that have been impacted by these disasters
- Be registered with the Australian Sports Foundation. To register for free [please click here](#).
- Be a not for profit with an Australian Business Number (ABN)
- Intend to spend the funds within 12 months of receiving them

Only 1 application per organisation or club will be accepted.

## INELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

- Organisations or clubs that do not meet the Eligibility Criteria (see above)

## PROJECTS THAT WILL NOT BE FUNDED

The following projects do not fit the criteria for this program.

- Replacement or repair of sporting equipment, kit, uniforms or small infrastructure that have not been damaged in the 2019-2020 Australian bushfires or other natural disasters
- Replacement or repair of sporting equipment, kit, uniforms or small infrastructure that have been damaged by fire due to arson, accidents, malfunctions or anything else unrelated to the bushfires or natural disasters
- Replacement or repair of large infrastructure such as sport ovals and recreation centres
- Purchasing of vehicles
- Purchasing of equipment that is not specific to restoring sport
- Fee relief for members of the sporting community that have not been impacted by the bushfires or other natural disasters
- Fee relief for members of the community that have been affected by Covid-19. A separate program will be established for this purpose in the coming weeks.





# SPORT RECOVERY

## ASSESSMENT PROCESS

GRANT GUIDELINES

The intended outcome of this grant is to restore sport to the communities affected by the bushfires and other natural disasters.

Eligible applications will be assessed by the Australian Sports Foundation Team according to how well their proposed project aligns with these intended outcomes. Successful applicants will be approved by a Grant Committee appointed by the Australian Sports Foundation and including representatives of the Alliance for Sports Recovery.



## WE WILL USE A BIAS FREE AND ROBUST REVIEWING PROCESS.

The number of successful applications will depend on the funds available.

### ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

The assessment criteria for the Sports Recovery Grant is as follows:

- The legitimacy of the application and its alignment to our intended outcomes
- How well the intended project restores sport to the community after bushfire damage or natural disaster
- The evidence of need and clarity of how granted funds will be used provided with the application

### PAYMENTS

Successful applicants will:

- Be notified via email with information about how they will receive the funds, and instructions for entering their organisation's bank details into the ASF Portal.
- Be obligated to accept the ASF Terms and Conditions before receiving the funds, which includes information about submitting a Grant Report/ Acquittal at completion of the project.

# PROCESS FOR APPLICANTS

The following information will guide you through the application process.

It's a good idea to make sure you have everything you need so you are prepared and ready to go.



## CHECK YOUR ELIGIBILITY

Ensure that your organisation or club and their intended project meets the eligibility criteria.

The eligibility criteria is available on page 5 in this document.



## REGISTER YOUR ORGANISATION

If you haven't already registered with the Australian Sports Foundation, that's your next step.

To register with the Sports Foundation for free, [please click here](#). It may take a few days to receive your Sports Foundation registration number, so don't wait until the day you intend to apply for the grant to register.



## APPLY USING SURVEYMONKEY

To apply online for this grant, please [click here](#).

To download a preview of the application form, please [click here](#).

You will be required to sign up with SurveyMonkey before applying which is a very simple process and only requires a full name, email address and password. This will then allow you to sign in at any time to access your application and continue editing, provided the application has not been finalised and submitted.



## ATTACH RELEVANT DOCUMENTS

All applicants will be required to attach a minimum of one supporting document specific to the application.

The process to attach documents is very straightforward and simple, but the applicant needs to ensure they have the relevant documents saved on the computer they're using to submit the application.



## ACCEPTABLE DOCUMENTS

Documents that you can attach to your application can include, but are not limited to the following:

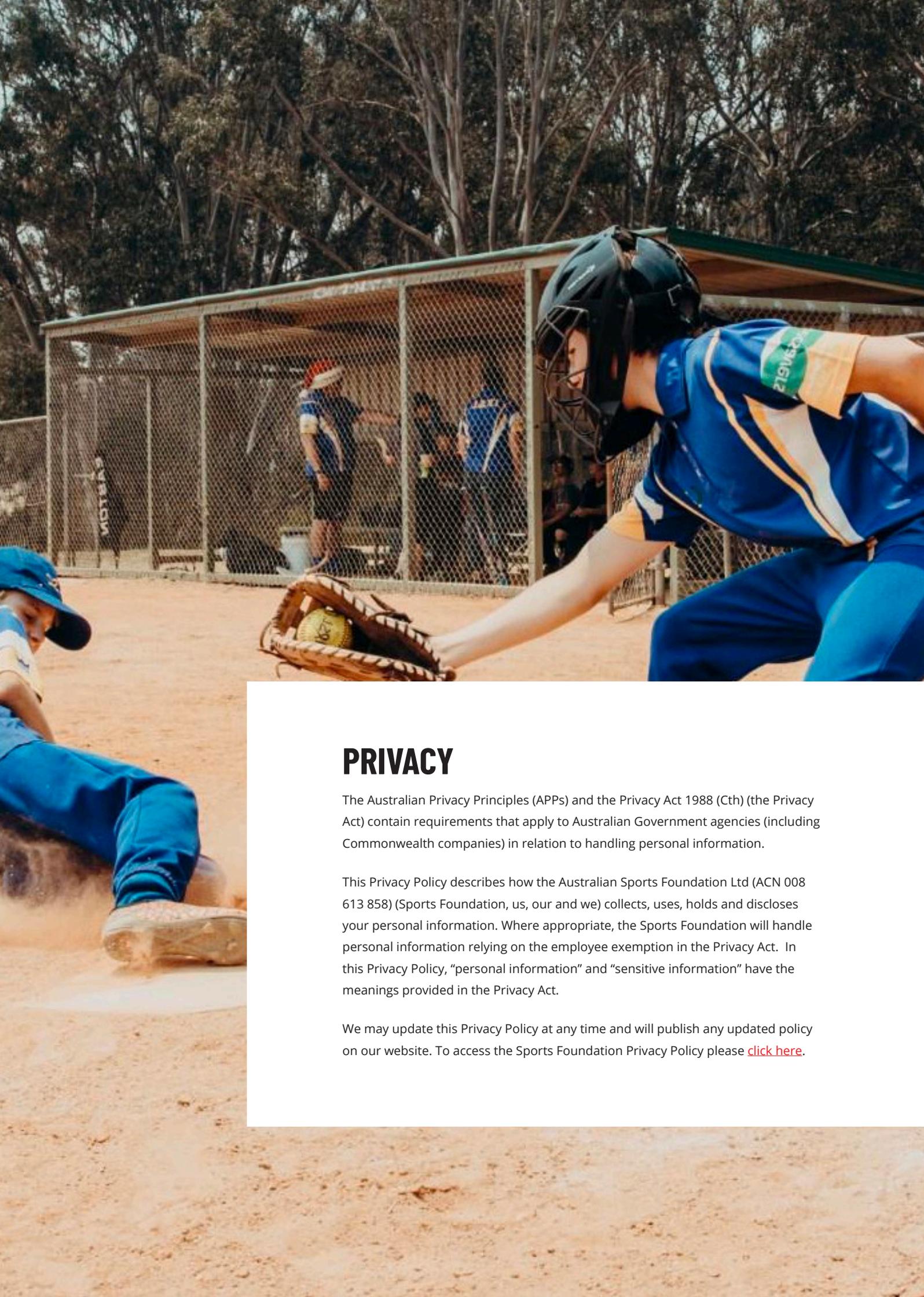
- Photos and videos of the damaged equipment or facilities. They can be taken from a phone and don't need to be high quality, provided the content is clear. Requests for equipment replacement should include photo or video evidence of damage to the equipment or where the equipment was kept. Requests for fee relief should show evidence of the damage to community members houses, property or business, i.e. News clippings outlining the damage to the specific area or photos of members damaged property etc.
- A letter of support from the local council.
- News articles about damage to the club, or the area the club or its members reside in.

## RESOURCES AND FAQ

We're here to help you.

If you're having trouble registering with the Sports Foundation please contact us by calling (02) 5112 0990 or emailing [info@sportsfoundation.org.au](mailto:info@sportsfoundation.org.au).

If you're having trouble with the grant application process you can access the help guide by [clicking here](#).



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