The information requested in this application form is the minimum required for a grant to be considered. Applicants may enclose additional information but this should complement and not replace the information provided on this form.

Applications will considered from any of the following sources: region, county fencing union, British Fencing affiliated club based in England or British Fencing registered coach with the following guidelines:

* Schemes should demonstrate a clear route to growing long term participation. Applications for programmes solely aimed at short term exposure (e.g. taster sessions) without a clear plan for how a proportion of participants will be integrated into the sport are not likely to be supported.
* If funding is requested for equipment, England Fencing reserves the right to retain ownership of the equipment funded, and may require it to be returned if the project goals are not met, or at the end of the project if there is no continuation. Applications are more likely to be successful if it can be demonstrated that the equipment will be used intensively.
* Applications are more likely to be successful if the participants/beneficiaries are, or will be, members of England Fencing. New participants who engage with your project are required to be registered for British Fencing ‘Introduction’ membership with England Fencing will receive preference in evaluating their bids.
* We do not fund performance related activities. Preference will be given for programmes that grow capacity and develop grass-roots fencing. We would fund projects that encourage beginner fencers to take part in Regional level competitions.
* Grants applications can be for clubs that aim to promote fencing, retention of members, strategies that ensure safety during activities and other proposals that help clubs to regrow their membership.
* Funding is for constituted groups only and will not be given to projects that benefit individuals only.
* England Fencing has up to £14k to distribute in grants for selected projects.

**How to apply**

Please complete the attached application form, and email to grants@englandfencing.org.uk with ‘Grant application’ and name or applicant in the subject box or post to England Fencing Ltd, 1 Barons Gate, 33 Rothschild Road, London, W4 5HT.

The England Fencing Grant Working group aim to meet four times a year.

For further advice about the aims of the funding, or the sort of projects that we are likely to support, please contact beth.davidson@englandfencing.org.uk

**APPLICATION FORM – DEVELOPMENT GRANTS**

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| Name of club: |
| Contact name: | Job title: |
| Club address: |
| Correspondence address (if different): |
| Telephone: | Email: |
| Website: | Social media: |
| Tell us about the project that you would like us to support. It is important that you explain how the grant will help increase the number of participants in fencing.  |
| Please tell us about the structure of your club: | Coaches: | Welfare Officer: | volunteers: |
| FT / PT: | FT / PT: |  |
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| **About your grant request** |
| Total grant requested: £ |

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| **About your grant request** |
| Please itemise what the money is going to be spent on and how much.

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| DESCRIPTION | COST £ |
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| Tell us which categories apply your project (select all that apply)Club DevelopmentSetting up a new Club or an Additional SessionNew Equipment |
| Have you tried to seek funding from other sources for this proposal? If so, please give information below. |

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| **About your club accounts** |
| **Club Income** | Most recent accounts | Previous year accounts |
| Voluntary income from donations, grants from charities and legacies: | £ | £ |
| Income from fundraising activities such as events: | £ | £ |
| Lottery funding: | £ | £ |
| Membership fees: | £ | £ |
| Product sales: | £ | £ |
| Other income not listed above: | £ | £ |
| **Total annual income** | **£** | **£** |
| **Club Expenditure** | Most recent accounts | Previous year accounts |
| Coaching Fees | £ | £ |
| Fundraising and publicity: | £ | £ |
| Equipment | £ | £ |
| Management and administration: | £ | £ |
| **Total annual expenditure** | **£** | **£** |
| Surplus (Deficit) | **£** | **£** |
| **Club Reserves** | Most recent accounts | Previous year accounts |
| **Total club reserves** | **£** | **£** |

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| **Applicant declaration** |
| I confirm that I am an authorised representative of (club name). Our club is an affiliated member of British Fencing – Yes / NoTo the best of my knowledge the information I have provided on this application form is correct. If England Fencing agrees to make a grant the money will be used exclusively for the purposes described in this application form.Print name:Position in the club:Signature: Date: |
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| Please email your completed application form and supporting information to: **grants@englandfencing.org.uk** |