

## *What is KiwiSport?*

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### **KiwiSport**

The KiwiSport Regional Partnership Fund is a government funding initiative to promote sport for school-aged children, and was launched by the Prime Minister on the 11th August 2009.

KiwiSport provides funding for schools and community groups to achieve the following outcomes:

- ◆ To increase the number of school-aged children participating in organised sport
- ◆ Increase the availability and accessibility of sport opportunities for all school-aged children
- ◆ Support children in developing skills that will enable them to participate effectively in sport

### **Structure of Funding**

Below is the structure of funding, which is based on the initial Sport NZ requirements, and the 2012 community consultation process, the 2012 community review and learnings from the KiwiSport panel and management team over the last three years.

1. The purpose of the KiwiSport RPF Fund is to support projects for school-aged children. The priorities within that focus are: the Fundamental Movement Skills (FMS) programme, support for Coach development initiatives and targeted travel support.
2. 80% of the KiwiSport RPF is non-contestable, this change was confirmed as a result of the 2012 community consultation, and guarantees the future of the Fundamental Movement Skills (FMS) programme and ensures allocated funds for schools – both secondary and primary – as well as the targeted sport projects developed as part of joint projects.
3. The remaining 20% of KiwiSport funding is in the form of a contestable fund, which is open to any applicants meeting the entry criteria. The merits of these applications are considered by a KiwiSport panel and funding distributed as a result of their decisions. In addition to this 5% of the KiwiSport RPF is to be used to fund projects under \$1000. This provision is known as “Fast Fund” and is designed to meet the need for small projects that meet all criteria of the fund but don’t warrant a full application.
4. All approved projects require a 25% contribution by the partner organisation, with the proviso that the KiwiSport panel may, at its discretion, reduce the contribution required to 10% by leveraging 15% from the PowerCo Wanganui Trust subsidy.
5. The funding application window is open all year round.
6. The current approval process is negotiated contracts with targeted groups for non-contestable funding. For contestable funding applicants are asked to fill in an expression of interest form. If this meets the general requirements of the fund a Sport Development Team member assists the applicant with the submission of their project, and the KiwiSport panel then has the final sign-off responsibility. There is no variation of this process except in the case of “Fast Fund” as detailed in point 3 above.
7. In line with best practise funding models, the KiwiSport RPF Fund allows for multi-year projects.
8. The KiwiSport RPF is primarily available to clubs, schools and NSO’s. The panel will only consider granting funding to private providers where the need for the project is proven, and none of the above designated organisations have the capability or desire to lead such a project.