

# Get in the Game Get Started



## Funding to help kids participate

### Fact Sheet for Clubs

#### What is *Get Started*?

*Get Started* is one of three funding programs that comprise the Queensland Government's *Get in the Game* initiative to support sport and recreation at the grassroots level.

*Get Started* assists children and young people who can least afford or may otherwise benefit from joining a sport or recreation club.

Sport and recreation clubs will need to register with *Get Started* to be able to accept *Get Started* vouchers. Registration is also required if the club wants to apply for *Get Going* and *Get Playing*.

#### When will the program open?

Round 2 opens for online voucher applications at **10am on Monday 15 July 2013**. Vouchers are allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Applications close on 15 October 2013 or earlier if the allocation is fully subscribed. Vouchers expire on 15 November 2013 and clubs can redeem the vouchers online until 30 November 2013.

The program opens for two rounds each year until 2015.

#### Who is eligible?

##### Applicants

Individuals eligible to receive a voucher are children and young people from the age of five and under the age of 18 who are residents of Queensland and:

- hold or whose parent, carer or guardian holds a Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card
- other children or young people identified by two referral agents<sup>1</sup>.

**Note:** Limit of one voucher per child/young person per calendar year. If a child received a voucher in Round 1 the child is not eligible for another voucher until Round 3 (2014).

<sup>1</sup> Refer to the *Get Started* Referral Agents Fact Sheet for information on referral agents.

#### Sport and recreation clubs

Incorporated not-for-profit sport and recreation clubs and registered businesses affiliated with one of the State/National Level Organisations listed for *Get Started* are eligible to register for *Get Started*.

Incorporated not-for-profit sport and recreation clubs that are not affiliated with a State/National Level Organisation listed for *Get Started* will need to meet particular criteria to be registered for *Get Started*<sup>2</sup>.

Visit our website to view the list of State/National Level Organisations for *Get Started*.

#### What funding is available?

A maximum of \$150 per voucher is available to help pay the cost of sport or recreation membership and/or participation fees<sup>3</sup>.

#### How do I register my club for *Get Started*?

Sport and recreation clubs can register at any time. You only need to register your club once – no need to register for each round.

- Check that your club is not already registered in the club locator on our website.
- Complete the club registration process by clicking on the link on our website. Once the registration process has been completed you will receive a confirmation email detailing the next steps.
- If your club meets the eligibility requirements, it will be listed on the club locator. If your club's registration requires consideration, the department will contact your representative to discuss this further.

Visit [www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/getinthegame](http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/getinthegame) to get started.

<sup>2</sup> Incorporated not-for-profit sport and recreation clubs not affiliated with a State/National Level Organisation funded or recognised by the department will need to satisfy the following criteria:

- provide individual/team insurance for participants
- undertake child protection checks as required by the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian, and
- ensure that coaches, referees, first aid officers and other relevant staff and volunteers are accredited (where required).

<sup>3</sup> If the membership/participation fees are more than \$150, the parent/guardian/carer is required to pay the difference. If the membership/participation fees are less than \$150, the department will pay the club for the membership/participation fees only. The balance is not redeemable in cash or as payment for individual items to participate in the activity (such as jerseys, boots etc.).

## When will my club receive a voucher from a parent/guardian/carer?

Vouchers must be collected from the parent/guardian/carer at the same time as they are registering the child/young person as a member with your club. If the membership/participation fees are more than \$150 per participant, then the club will need to collect the difference in cost from the parent/guardian/carer.

Ensure the child/young person's name matches the name on the voucher, and that it has not expired.

## What can the voucher be used for?

Vouchers are to be put towards membership and/or participation costs. Sport and recreation clubs refer to these fees using various terms.

Vouchers can be put towards the normal club membership and/or participation costs. Membership may also include access to coaching, facility use and events, or weekly game fees. The voucher cannot be used for individual items such as uniforms, jerseys, boots, etc.

The vouchers hold no monetary value until they are redeemed by the registered club for the cost of a single junior membership.

## How does my club redeem the vouchers?

You must have your registration for *Get Started* approved before you can redeem vouchers.

- Log in to QGrants using the club's email address and your password, and then click on 'Applications' and 'Redeem voucher'.
- Follow the prompts to complete the claim process. You will need a hard copy of the voucher/s and your club's bank account details.
- Payments will be deposited into your club's bank account within 3 to 10 business days, depending on your club's financial institution; unless there are issues with your banking details.

All vouchers for the round must be redeemed online by 30 November 2013. Vouchers can be redeemed at any time until this date.

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## Need further information?

For further information about *Get Started* and to register your club or redeem a voucher, visit our website at [www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/getinthegame](http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/getinthegame).

If you require further information or assistance, check out the Frequently Asked Questions section and Help Tools on our website first.

If you can't find what you need on our website, email us at [getstarted@nprsr.qld.gov.au](mailto:getstarted@nprsr.qld.gov.au) or contact a local Sport and Recreation Services office on 1300 656 191.

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