



INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION SCHEME 2025

Registered National Sports Organisations (Federations, Associations, Clubs) compliant with the Commissioner for Voluntary Organisations and Authority for Integrity in Maltese Sport (AIMS) are eligible to apply for any assistance scheme offered by SportMalta.

This scheme is intended to assist national teams and national athletes forming part of National Sports Organisations in the technical preparations for international activities abroad or club tournaments / training camps.

Assistance:

SportMalta will partially assist in the expenses incurred by the National Sports Organisation in relation to travelling expenses to participate in the training camp and/ or international competition abroad.

Assistance can be in the form of air tickets and equipment travel expenses, accommodation, airport transfers, car rentals expenses, insurance related to sports equipment and participation fees, through a financial grant not exceeding the yearly allocated budget for **International Participation Scheme**.

Eligibility Criteria:

This scheme is applicable to sports organisations (Federations, Associations, Clubs and Foundations) which:

1. Must organise / take part in national leagues and championships;
2. Must have no alternative government / public funding for the event in which the elite athletes are participating;
3. The sports organisation shall have no payment dues to SportMalta or shall have a repayment plan in cases where it has pending payments with SportMalta;
4. The Sport Organisation must be enrolled & **compliant** with the Office of the Commissioner for Voluntary Organisations and AIMS .
5. The allocation of funds to the applicants shall be determined by the SportMalta assistances board, following the submission of all applications and in accordance with established criteria, in order to ensure fair distribution amongst applicants. To this effect, the date of submission of application will not be given any weight/guarantee of award,



when determining the allocation/ commitment of funding, provided that the application must be submitted within the stipulated timeframes.

Documentation required at application stage:

1. Duly filled in application form.
2. It is recommended that the application form is accompanied by the following information, whether in the application form itself or in a separate document:
 - a. A description of the activity/ies including details of the organisers, duration, participating countries, and whether activity is being held under the auspices of the International Federation (if available);
 - b. An estimation of expenses, incorporating:
 - i. the number of persons in the contingent and their responsibilities.
 - ii. Any fees required to participate in the international event.
3. The National Sports Organisation shall furthermore, indicate whether this activity forms part of an International Sport Calendar related to that particular sport.

Documentation Required at claim stage:

Following SportMalta's approval for funding, a commitment letter is issued to the applicant, together with the financial claim form that shall be used at claim stage. Original fiscal receipts (or any other proof of payments as specified in the Terms of Reference) for anything falling within the approved assistance, must be submitted for the approved funding to be released.

Documentation required:

1. A completed Financial Claim form (which is provided with the Commitment Letter);
2. Official receipts (or tax invoices with proof of payment) of all expenses included in the commitment letter (reimbursement of cash payments without official/original receipt may not be honoured by SportMalta's assistance payment);
3. Report of event;
4. Copy of a valid VO certificate/letter of compliancy from the Commissioner for Voluntary Organisations together with a written confirmation from AIMS confirming the compliancy status and till when sports organisations are compliant;
5. If the payment was not issued by the claimant entity, a written confirmation by the claimant entity is required, stating that upon reimbursement from SportMalta, the claimant entity shall reimburse the athlete/s who incurred the original expense.



6. Clause 5 also applies in case when the claimant entity has already received / requested the funds from participants in order to settle the expenses related to the trip.
7. Sport organisation is obliged to recognise SportMalta's financial assistance in press releases directly related to the event/s indicated in the commitment letter. Evidence of such press releases would be mandatory at the time of submitting the financial claim.

Any and all other conditions stipulated in the commitment letter or any annex attached thereto shall also be deemed to be part of the terms and conditions of this scheme.

Application Details:

Application Form may be downloaded from the following link: <http://sportmalta.mt/assistance-schemes/international-participation-scheme/>

Completed and signed Application Form for 2025 assistance, shall reach SportMalta by the 9th of December 2024.

Application form and any additional documentation shall be sent to SportMalta's assistances team by email to assistances.sportmalta@sportmalta.org.mt.