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EFRA
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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

WHAT PROJECTS WILL THE EQUINE FIRE RELIEF AUSTRALIA (EFRA) GRANT FUND?

The EFRA Grant will fund projects that plan to repair or replace essential items damaged or lost in the bushfires from November 2019 - March 2020, such as:

- Equine facilities e.g. fencing
- Gear e.g. bridles, saddles
- Training or competition equipment e.g. show jumping poles
- Cross country jumps
- Small infrastructure e.g. shelters
- Outdoor arenas
- Feed/hay
- Floats

IS THE GRANT OPEN TO ALL TYPES OF EQUESTRIANS?

Yes, the EFRA grant is open anyone involved in equestrian pastimes or sporting pursuits, regardless of membership or affiliation with any particular equestrian association. However, it is not open to professional equine businesses such as training, breeding and agistment facilities.

I'VE REGISTERED WITH SURVEYMONKEY APPLY BUT HAVE NOT RECEIVED AN EMAIL TO VERIFY MY EMAIL ADDRESS, WHAT DO I DO?

If you have clicked 'send verification link' and haven't received an email from Survey Monkey Apply, please contact their support team by clicking here and they will manually verify your email for you. You will need to select **'Something isn't working as expected'** then choose **'Emails'** and select **'An email wasn't received'** and finally click **'Request Support'** and fill out the form provided.

MY ORGANISATION DOESN'T HAVE AN ABN, CAN I STILL APPLY?

You will need to apply for an ABN before you can apply for the EFRA grant. This takes 15 minutes and can be completed online.

WHEN DOES THE EFRA GRANT OPEN AND CLOSE?

The EFRA Grant opens on 1 September 2020 at 9am AEST and closes on 30 September 2020 at 5pm AEST.

WHEN WILL I HEAR BACK ABOUT MY APPLICATION?

All applicants will be notified of the results of their application via email. We anticipate applicants will be notified by early October 2020.

WHEN WILL SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS RECEIVE THEIR GRANT?

Successful applicants who have completed the requirements should receive their grant by late October 2020.

CAN I APPLY FOR THIS GRANT AS AN INDIVIDUAL?

Yes, you can apply as an individual if you are an athlete representing at a state or national level. Otherwise you will need to apply through your local sporting club.

CAN I PUT IN MORE THAN ONE APPLICATION?

We will only accept one application per organisation or individual, although we accept that some individuals may submit applications on behalf of more than one organisation. E.g. The Melton Pony Club may only submit one application. However, the individual who submits the application for Melton Pony Club may also submit an application for another organisation that they are affiliated with.

DO I NEED TO BE REGISTERED WITH THE AUSTRALIAN SPORTS FOUNDATION (ASF) TO APPLY?

Yes, if you or your organisation have not previously registered with Australian Sports Foundation you will need to do so before applying for this grant. You will need to provide your six-digit ASF number to submit the application. To register with the ASF for free please click here.

HOW MUCH CAN I APPLY FOR?

Suggested grant values are up to $15,000 with no minimum amount.

DO I HAVE TO PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF NEED?

Yes, all applicants will be required to attach a minimum of one supporting document specific to the application, this can include but is not limited to:

- Photos and videos of the fire damaged equipment or facilities. They can be taken from a phone and don't need to be high quality, provided the content is clear. E.g. Requests for equipment replacement should include photo or video evidence of damage to the equipment or where the equipment was kept.
- A letter of support from the local council.

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.

Applications that show strong evidence of need specific to the application will be highly regarded.

CAN I EDIT MY APPLICATION ONCE IT'S BEEN SUBMITTED?

No, once an application has been submitted it can still be viewed by the applicant but it cannot be edited. You can however edit any section of the application right up until you press the final submit button.

I'VE ALREADY SUBMITTED MY APPLICATION BUT I NEED TO CHANGE IT. WHAT DO I DO?

Please send an email to grants@sportsfoundation.org.au and request your application to be reopened. This can only be done before the closing date and time of 30th September 2020 at 5pm.

WILL ALL APPLICATIONS RECEIVE FUNDING?

No, it is possible that the number of applications will exceed the funding available. Applications are therefore more likely to be successful if they demonstrate strong evidence of need and show a clear plan to restore participation in equestrian sport.

HOW ARE THE SUCCESSFUL APPLICATIONS CHOSEN?

Applications are assessed according to how well their proposed project aligns with the intended outcomes of this grant (to support equestrian welfare, wellbeing and return to participation in equestrian sports in the wake of the Australian bushfires), using a bias free and robust reviewing process. The number of successful applications will depend on the funds available.