



ATHLETE SKILL DEVELOPMENT CLINICS – MAP Grant Policies

Overview

To be eligible to receive MAP funds, your organization must offer community or club-level sports development initiatives within the province. The Athlete Skill Development Clinic grant will provide your league/association with valuable insight into the playing of fastpitch softball. Grant assistance is provided to help provide quality instruction and teaching methods.

Goals

1. Softball Fever – 1-day camp - to provide small group instruction suitable to your age group, training all in throwing, grounders, outfield, bunting, pitching, catching, hitting & baserunning/sliding.
2. Canpitch – 1 hour for 5 weeks of instruction to provide small groups with basic mechanics of pitching.
3. Hitting – 1 hour for 3 weeks of instruction in basic mechanics, hitting drills, bunting
4. Catching/Hitting/Pitching – 1 hour of instruction in fundamentals & drills

MAP Grant Procedures

The host community must have at least 1 team affiliated or going to affiliate.

MAP Grant Application and Spending Plan

Organizations must complete and submit the MAP Application and Spending Plan to the Softball Saskatchewan office no later than June 1st. Organizations are required to acknowledge and publicly recognize that the MAP support received is derived from the proceeds of the sale of lottery tickets in Saskatchewan. Applications must also indicate how Sask Lotteries will be promoted. Applications must be signed by a signing authority for the Host organization.

MAP Grant Follow-up Report

Organizations are required to acknowledge and publicly recognize that the MAP support received is derived from the proceeds of the sale of lottery tickets in Saskatchewan. Applications must also indicate how Sask Lotteries will be promoted. Follow-up reports must be signed by a signing authority for the Host organization.

Host communities/organizations receiving a MAP Development Grant to support their programs and initiatives must complete and submit a MAP Follow-up Report no later than October 31st.

The follow-up report must include appropriate support documentation to verify expenditures. Only canceled cheques bearing bank clearing stamp and/or valid (see below) receipts indicating expenses will be accepted in support of the Follow-Up Report.

- Valid documentation (receipts) to verify expenditures can take various forms but should at a minimum:
 - Indicate the name of the recipient (person or business) of the funds.
 - Describe goods or services provided for payment.
 - Disclose the amount of the payment.

- Include the date that the goods/services were purchased (must be within the MAP grant year).
- Include third-party verification (supplier logo on an invoice, signature of the recipient on an expense claim, or in the rare case where there is no other backup documentation, a copy of the cheque, with the bank clearing stamp on the back).

NOTE: Copies of documents for financial accountability (i.e. receipts, canceled cheques, invoices, expense claims, etc.) are clear and readable. Original documents are not necessary for submission to the PSGB but should be maintained by the organization submitting the MAP grant follow-up report. MAP grant payments will be made to approved hosts upon Softball Saskatchewan receiving a completed MAP Follow-up report and supporting receipts/documentation. Follow-up reports must be signed and dated by the organization's signing authority.

Associations/leagues receiving MAP funding must publicly acknowledge they are supported by Saskatchewan Lotteries.

Eligible Expenditures (receipts must be provided)

- Facility rental (diamond/facility rental).
- Instructor costs (including honorariums, meals, mileage, accommodations).
- Advertising expense.

Ineligible Expenditures

- Equipment required to implement the program.
- Participant registration fees.
- Any construction, upgrading, maintenance, or operating costs of facilities.
- Expenditures for which other grant dollars have been used. Two different grant sources cannot be used to pay the same dollar of expense, whether the grant comes from the Trust Fund or any other granting agency.
- Cash prizes.
- Social events (barbecues, lunches, etc.).
- Alcoholic beverages.
- Research projects or feasibility studies.
- Out-of-province travel.
- Provincial or university sports team expenses.
- Other expenses deemed as ineligible as identified by the Sask Lotteries Trust Fund or PSO.

Softball Saskatchewan Responsibilities

- Send out M.A.P. Grant Application forms and Follow-up reports.
- Assign instructors to do clinics (Softball Saskatchewan approved instructors must be used).
- Set the participant registration fees.

Host Responsibilities

- Pay Clinic instructors on the day of the clinic (the MAP grant covers this).
- Provide and assume all costs of facility/equipment rental, (the MAP grant covers this).
- Provide a maximum of 4 leaders to keep groups organized and on time.
- Ensure there are a minimum of 25 players registered for the Softball Fever Clinics.
- Ensure there are a minimum of 20 players registered for the Hitting, Catching, and Canpitch Clinics.

- Be aware that Instructors must be approved by Softball Saskatchewan before the clinic can be conducted.

Equipment:

Softball Fever Camp:

- a) Two diamonds with bases near each other.
- b) Washroom facilities opened nearby.
- c) Helmets, bats, 4 tees, 1 milk crate, 4 helpers.

Hitting or Catching Clinic:

- a) Gymnasium
- b) Whiffle and indoor balls.
- c) Tees & nets (hitting clinic)
- d) Catchers' equipment (catching clinic)

Softball Fever Camp Format:

2 hours of skills in the morning.

3 hours of skills in the afternoon.

Hitting or Catching Clinic Format

1 hour per 5-7 participants, for 4 hours (4 – 1-hour sessions).

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