

RACING INDUSTRY TRANSITION AGENCY

The Racing Industry Transition Agency Guidelines for the Distribution of Net Proceeds to ‘Sports’ Authorised Purposes

Background

The Racing Industry Transition Agency (RITA) will ‘distribute’ net proceeds to the communities of New Zealand, in accordance with its ‘Sports’ Authorised Purpose, and has determined that up to 20% of its net proceeds shall be distributed under its ‘Sports’ Authorised Purposes.

RITA mainly ‘applies’ the net proceeds generated from its Class 4 Gaming Operation to its own ‘Racing’ Authorised Purposes for the Promotion, Control and Conduct of a Race Meeting (as defined in the Racing Act 2003). RITA has determined that at least 80% of its net proceeds shall be applied to its ‘Racing’ Authorised Purposes.

RITA will review its criteria, methods, systems and policies for the application and distribution of net proceeds at least annually.

The Guidelines below relate to the distribution of net proceeds to RITAs ‘Sports’ Authorised Purpose.

RITA ‘Sports’ Authorised Purpose

RITAs authorised purposes statement provides that RITA may distribute net proceeds to the following authorised purpose:

To encourage active participation in New Zealand amateur sports (being sports listed on the Sport New Zealand website) by assisting the following categories of bona fide New Zealand clubs and organisations:

- 1. individual amateur sports clubs or similar organisations at a local or regional level whose members participate in amateur sport;*

2. *regional or national amateur sports organisations to which individual amateur local sports clubs or similar organisations are affiliated or otherwise formally aligned;*
3. *local, regional or national organisations which facilitate the active participation in New Zealand amateur sports through the provision of, for example, sports facilities, sports tuition or match or competition refereeing or umpiring;*
4. *other regional or national organisations which facilitate the active participation in New Zealand amateur sports by providing general coordination and oversight of, or other assistance to, one or more sports and/or all clubs or organisations participating in one or more sports.*

Such assistance to amateur sports clubs and organisations may be provided to a club or organisation for an individual team or teams or for more general purposes and may take the form of the funding of all or part of the actual and reasonable cost of items such as (but not limited to) sports equipment, playing uniforms, refereeing/umpiring uniforms and ground hire and all or part of the actual and reasonable expenses of individual teams participating in tournaments with kindred groups.

To be eligible for consideration for assistance an amateur sports club or organisation must meet those of the following requirements that apply to the relevant category of club or organisation:

- *for all categories (1-4), it is a registered New Zealand charity and/or is registered as an incorporated society or as another legal entity;*
- *in the case of a club or organisation referred to in (1), its membership is open to the members of the public;*
- *in the case of an organisation referred to in (2-4), its facilities or services benefit persons who are members of the public or who are members of clubs or organisations which are open to members of the public;*
- *in the case of a club or organisation referred to in (1, 2 or 4), it is directly or indirectly affiliated with a sports organisation referred to on the Sport New Zealand website;*
- *for all categories (1-4), the relevant sport has standards and/or rules which have been established by a national body or an international body and which are applicable to those who participate in the sport in New Zealand; and*
- *for all categories (1-4), there are significant New Zealand regional and/or national competitions for the relevant sport.*

Net Proceeds Committee

RITA has established a 'Net Proceeds Committee' (NPC). The NPC is comprised of selected members of the Board of RITA.

The NPC will meet at least six times per year to make decisions on the distribution of net proceeds to Authorised Purposes.

A list of the dates the Net Proceeds Committee meets is maintained on RITAs website, under the 'Gaming Grants' tab.

Criteria for assessing applications

- **Please refer to the 'Eligibility and Prioritisation Policy for Distribution of RITA Class 4 Net Proceeds' document on our website.**

Complaints

Should you have a complaint about RITAs handling of an application for net proceeds, the complaint should be made in writing and emailed or posted to:

grants@nzrb.co.nz

**Attention: The Chief Executive
Racing Industry Transition Agency
P O Box 38899
Wellington Mail Centre 5045**

RITA will acknowledge receipt of your complaint by email (or mail if you do not provide an email address). The Racing Industry Transition Agency will investigate your complaint promptly, and will advise you of its decision within 20 business days of your complaint being received.