

Support for School and Youth Community Projects S|S|Y|C|P

Programme Guidelines

■ ■ ■ Objectives

To offer assistance, limited financial support, and/or specific opportunities to National Federations, with the aim to implement sport educational programmes within schools and/or local communities.

■ ■ ■ Beneficiaries

All National Federations (NFs) in good standing may benefit from this programme. Nevertheless, priority will be given to applicants in need of support, but with a clear potential for development.

■ ■ ■ Description

This programme offers assistance to National Federations to put in place projects aiming at spreading the discipline(s) of Baseball, Softball and/or Baseball5 through the younger generations while educating them to the values of respect, teamwork and responsibility. Specifically, the range of services provided by the WBSC comprehends the following areas:

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- Education: dedicated manuals will be distributed by the WBSC in order to provide to the future teachers or coaches the necessary tools to implement the projects;
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- Training courses: before the beginning of the programme, the WBSC may foresee the organisation of on-site or on-line technical courses in order to train the future teachers and coaches;
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- Starter kits: WBSC will provide starter kits containing all the necessary material to put in place an appropriate field of play, together with some Baseball, Softball and/or Baseball5 equipment;
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- Assistance: depending on the projects, the WBSC may provide direct support by, for example, grant a financial contribution, provide apparel for a national school project etc...
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■ ■ ■ Application Procedure

The application must be submitted by the relevant National Federation, which may receive approval for, maximum, one SSYCP programme per year. To allow sufficient time for analysis, the official application form must be presented to the WBSC Development Commission no later than 3 months prior to the start of the proposed project. In particular, the application must include the following information:

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- Description of the activity;
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- Dates and location;
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- Main expectations from the project and opportunities it could create for the National Federation;
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- Name and contacts of a liaison person in charge of the communication between the National Federation and the WBSC;
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- Tentative number of kids involved;
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- Training needs and level of the kids involved;
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- Signature of the National Federation President, Secretary General or Executive Director;
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Moreover, each school or local community in which the programme will be implemented shall provide the following information through the relevant National Federation:

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- Name and address;
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- Liaison person and related contact details;
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- Name and signature of the legal representative;
 - Number of kids, classes or groups involved in the project with info on the age gender; and
 - Frequency of Baseball, Softball and/or Baseball5 activity.
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■ ■ ■ Analysis and Approval

The WBSC Development Commission will review the application and, within 30 days, will provide the National Federation with its feedback based on the following criteria:

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- Coherence with the purpose and guidelines of the programme;
 - Programmes' feasibility;
 - Cost-Benefit Analysis.
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In case of approval, the WBSC will double-sign the application form - turning it effectively into a binding contract - and send it back to the National Federation to allow the programme to be officially implemented.

■ ■ ■ Cost Breakdown

With regards to the cost breakdown, the WBSC will cover the costs related with the following areas:

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- Provision of starter kits, including shipping costs;
 - Provision of the manuals, including shipping costs;
 - Instructor(s) international airfare, per-diem, illness and accident insurance in case of on-site training course;
 - Any other allowance granted by the WBSC Development Commission
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In the other hand, the National Federation is requested to cover the costs related with the translation and printing of the manuals, if needed. Further, in case the training course is requested, the NF has to take care of the following:

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- Instructor(s) meals (3 per day) and accommodation*;
 - Instructor(s) local transportation from/to airport/training venue;
 - Training venue and its setting;
 - Participants' transportation, meals and accommodation, if necessary;
 - Venue liability insurance;
 - Administrative support for travel VISA, if necessary;
 - Documents translation to the local language, if necessary.
 - Any other expense not covered by the WBSC.
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*Instructors' accommodation should be of minimum 4-star international standards. A 3-star accommodation can be accepted provided a WBSC prior approval.

■ ■ ■ Follow-up and Control

During the programme, the National Federation is requested to maintain constant contact with the WBSC and provide updates if necessary or requested.

■ ■ ■ Final Report

Within 30 days from the conclusion of the programme, the National Federation must submit the following documents to the WBSC:

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- A detailed report with a technical evaluation, comments and all relevant information related with the activity from the National Federation;
 - A detailed report with a technical evaluation, comments and all relevant information related with the activity from all the schools and or local communities involved;
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■ ■ ■ Payment Process

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- Instructor(s) international airfare, per-diem, illness and accident insurance in case of on-site training course;
 - Any other allowance granted by the WBSC Development Commission
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