

# START Water Polo 2019

## Funding programme to increase junior Water Polo participation

START Water Polo is a Swim England funded programme designed to increase the number of young Water Polo players in the club structures.

Applications are open to any Swim England affiliated clubs or sections that intend to deliver new sessions of Water Polo and provide a clear exit route to retain the new participants.

### The Programme

Affiliated clubs or sections have the opportunity to apply for small grants of up to £500 to support their delivery of new activity.

The investment can be spent on the following areas:

- New junior balls and ball carriers
- New junior caps
- Level 1 coaching qualifications to increase capacity
- Additional pool hire

### The Application Process

Funding will be allocated following an open application process. Any Swim England club or Water Polo section is eligible to apply for funding.

A recognised club committee member) from within the club will be responsible for completing an online application form. The form will be comprised of a series of sections, each of which is required.

Section 1: Applicant club details

Section 2: Details of person authorised to complete the application

Section 3: Basis of application with projected participation figures

Section 4: Financial request

Following the closure of the process all applications will be reviewed and all applicants will be notified of their success or otherwise. Applications will be assessed on the level of impact of the investment and the potential to attract and retain high numbers of new participants into structured water polo sessions.

The Application process will open on Monday 23 September 2019

The Application process will close on Monday 14 October 2019

The online form can be found on the Swim England website.

## Frequently asked questions

### **What is the aim of the programme?**

START Water Polo is a Swim England funded programme designed to increase the number of young water polo players in the club structures.

### **Who can apply?**

Applications are open to any Swim England affiliated clubs or sections that intend to deliver new sessions of Water Polo and provide a clear exit route to retain the new participants.

### **How much can be applied for?**

The highest award will be £500. An applicant may apply for a total less than this.

### **What is the application process?**

The process requires applicants to complete an online form.

### **How will I receive the payment?**

Payments will be made to a recognised club account upon receipt of an invoice and supporting receipt(s) for the equipment purchased as set out in the application.

### **What can and can't be funded?**

The investment can be spent on the following areas:

- New junior balls and carriers
- New junior caps
- Level 1 coaching qualifications to increase capacity
- Additional pool hire

It cannot be spent on the payment of coaches or equipment not listed above.  
All purchases must be made after the date of the award.

### **Are there any other conditions?**

Applicant clubs must have coaches who are listed on the Swim England Coaching and Teaching Register.