

Contacts and useful links

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NOCs

National Olympic Committees
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About the World Baseball Softball Confederation

Headquartered in Lausanne, Switzerland, the Olympic Capital - the World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC) was established in 2013 and granted recognition as the sole competent authority for the sport of Baseball/Softball by the International Olympic Committee at the 125th IOC Session on 8 September 2013. The WBSC has 208 National Federation and Associate Members in 142 countries and territories across Asia, Africa, Americas, Europe and Oceania.



This is a call to action !

Did you know that thanks to the inclusion into the olympic programme for Tokyo 2020 your federation can get access to the Olympic Solidarity Funds?



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What is Olympic Solidarity?

Referencing to Rule 5 of the Olympic Charter: “The aim of Olympic Solidarity is to organise assistance to NOCs, in particular those which have the greatest need of it. This assistance takes the form of programmes elaborated jointly by the IOC and the NOCs, with the technical assistance of the International Federations (IFs), if necessary.”

Is Baseball Softball eligible?

Yes! Through your NOC you can present a request for a grant related to the World Programmes. Your NF can access funds related to the World Programmes, particularly those related to Athletes, Coaches, and Team Grant support. See the document attached for more details. Olympic Solidarity funds are available for NFs participating in any event under the International Federation, not only for the Olympic Games. If your NF is participating, in Asian Games, Commonwealth Games or other regional events, your NF is still eligible for Olympic Solidarity funds.

Who can apply for Olympic Solidarity Funds?

NOCs are the only entities that may apply for Olympic Solidarity Funds. National Federations may propose projects via their respective NOCs.

How can my NF get these funds?

The funds for the world programmes are available to the NOC. It is your NOC that decides which NF can access the funds. WBSC can offer support in the preparation of the application and for networking with you NOC.

For which type of activity can my NF get support?

Athletes

- Olympic Scholarships for Athletes “Tokyo 2020”
- Team Support Grant
- Continental Athlete support Grant

Coaches

- Technical Courses for Coaches
- Olympic Scholarships for Coaches for General Sports Science Training or sports-specific training
- Projects within the framework of the “Development of National Sports System”

What does my NF need to do?

The World Baseball Softball Confederation encourages all National Federations to establish and maintain close contacts with their NOCs.

National Federations shall report on the status of baseball/softball in the respective territory and share strategic/development proposals with their NOCs towards Tokyo 2020.

Next Step

Develop a feasible project (with the projected budget, short and long-term goals, etc.) that shares the overall objectives of your NOC and the Olympic Movement to promote Olympic sport/values. Share with your vision/project with your NOC.

Your NF needs to present a detailed programme which meets the Olympic Solidarity requirements. Please see the attached templates.

How can I get assistance?

Please make sure that your NF forwards the application for Olympic Solidarity also to WBSC office. The IOC (International Olympic Committee) will refer to the WBSC for confirming the authenticity of your application. In this way WBSC can shorten the process and refer your request. Furthermore, WBSC is willing to look into your proposal and making recommendation to maximise the chances for your NF to access the funds. Please submit your proposal to office@wbsc.org

What are the benefits?

In order to maximize and exploit all possible sources for developing our sport, WSBC is highly encouraging to make proposals for development projects in priority through their NOC for Olympic Solidarity funds. WBSC will give priority to NFs that have already prepared a detailed application and applied for Olympic Solidarity funds. WBSC will consider with priority those projects designed to meet Olympic Solidarity standards.