

COMMUNITY RUGBY CLUB SHORT-TERM SUSTAINABLE INVESTMENT

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How is a community rugby club eligible for the investment?

There are three criteria that qualify a community rugby club for the investment:

- 1) Community rugby clubs who have fielded at least one team in a full season competition in at least 3 out of the last 5 years (2018-2022) and are still active (committee meetings, club events held).
- 2) Community rugby clubs need to be, or are part of, an incorporated society or have registered charitable status.
- 3) Community rugby clubs need to be a current member of a Provincial Union.

What if a club doesn't qualify for the investment?

Any club which does not meet the eligibility criteria can apply for consideration by their local Provincial Union and be assessed by the Provincial Union working group.

We are a junior and senior club, does that mean we qualify for two investments?

Junior and Senior clubs are treated as one club and will receive one round of investment.

Our club's incorporated society or charitable status is being renewed, will that be a problem?

Your local Provincial Union will work with you on the application, including any renewal process for incorporates society status.

How can I find out my club's player registration data?

Your local Provincial Union will hold this information and can provide it to you.

What information will clubs need to provide in the online application form?

- Incorporated name and address of club
- Name and role of club representative
- NZ Business Number (Incorporated Society or Registered Charity number)
- Indication of where investment will be spent through a Club Committee/Board resolution

My Provincial Union is offering a collaborative approach to the investment, what does this mean?

Some Provincial Unions are working alongside their clubs to explore ways the investment could be grouped for the collective benefit of the rugby community. Clubs may opt-in or opt-out.

Where will clubs be required to apply the investment?

Clubs are encouraged to invest in initiatives which grow rugby or make clubs more welcoming. These initiatives include investing in things like assets, facilities, and equipment and uniforms.

What will New Zealand Rugby and the Provincial Unions not release funds for?

Clubs need to provide evidence in the application process of where the investment will be spent by providing a Club Committee or Board resolution. Funds should not be used for team support staff, trips and paying players.

How does a club submission get approved and how long does it take?

Provincial Unions assess club submissions on a monthly basis. Once approved the Provincial Union will request the investment from New Zealand Rugby and this will then be passed on to clubs.