



Sailing towards the Golden Dream 2012-13 Application Guidelines

Introduction and background

The RYA Golden Dream fund is broken down into two separate awards each with a distinct funding purpose; to help give those aiming for the 2016 Paralympics and beyond a real opportunity in making those dreams come true.

The fund aims to:

- (a) **Initially** deliver immediate significant grants to four sailors to help in the purchase of a new boat, upgrade of a current boat or buy essential boat equipment.

- (b) **Subsequently** give personal awards to sailors and volunteers who have demonstrated great achievement throughout 2012.

1. Eligibility for all grants

To be eligible to receive a Golden Dream Grant you must be:

- A UK passport holder
- Eligible to compete for Great Britain in the Paralympic Games.
- Sailors must classify under IFDS (International Federation of Disabled Sailing)
- Compete at national and international level
- Be an essential volunteer that has helped or inspired a sailor
- Be an RYA member

You will **'NOT'** be eligible if you;

- Are a World Class Performance Sailor.
- Have received over £5,000 or equivalent from another charity in the last three years.

2. Available funding

(a) Capital investment fund - £12,000

Immediate significant grants of up to £3,000 will be awarded for the following items:

- Boat equipment
- Contribution to purchase or upgrade of boat
- Vehicle for towing

- Sails
- Boat trailer or trolley

(b) Personal Awards – Dinghy Show 2013 - £3,000

A number of small personal grants will be awarded at the Dinghy Show to sailors or volunteers who have shown great achievement, commitment and passion in the previous season.

£1,000 Contribution to international competition for a sailor and helper

£ 500 Two awards of £500 in the form of fuel costs to enable sailors/helpers to attend more events.

£ 250 Four awards of £250 for clothing and small boat equipment to be purchased at the dinghy show. These can be for either sailors or essential helpers

3. Selection and Selection Criteria

Selections for the ‘Golden Dream Grants’ will be awarded in August 2012 and will be assessed on the following criteria:

- Results from each class(es) national ranking events.
- Eligibility criteria as (1)
- Participation in class or transition squad training sessions.
- Performance at major international / national regattas
- Performance in current class competition

A small grant panel will consider all submissions for funding and will comprise of members of Goldsmiths and RYA.

4. Notification of grants

The decision of the panel will be final. The grant panel will meet in August, both successful and unsuccessful applicants will be notified first week of September. A letter of agreement to the terms of the funding will need to be signed by successful applicants before any funds are released

5. What we expect in return

- Your stories: how has the money helped and made a difference to your campaign
- Photographs of your new equipment at an event
- Updates on your progress

Application deadlines

Please email the attached application form for consideration to sailability@rya.org.uk
Applications must be received by 16th August 2012.