

2027 GROWTH GRANT SCHEME GUIDANCE

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Motorsport UK Growth Grant Scheme Guidance

The Motorsport UK Growth Grant Scheme guidance document has been updated, to reflect the changes made to the fund's criteria. The Motorsport UK Growth Grant Scheme is £250,000 in grants and designed to support ambitious and impactful ideas from across our community. It will offer greater flexibility with opportunities to apply at regular points throughout the year, rather than through a single application window.

This guidance document aims to help you understand what is and is not applicable to the grant and ensure that you have provided all the necessary paperwork (invoices, bank details, summary evaluation forms) to Motorsport UK. This will prevent any delays with your claim being processed and your final grant aid funding amount being paid.

What kind of projects can be funded through the Motorsport UK Growth Grant Scheme fund?

Community & Promotion	Venues & Equipment	Volunteer Training
Buddy & Mentoring Scheme	Storage & Transport	Marshal Training
Re-engagement Campaigns – Social Media, Flyers, etc.	Accessibility Venue Upgrades	Rescue & Recovery Training
EDI Initiatives	Sustainability Infrastructure	Mentor & Shadowing for Succession Planning
Inclusion Taster Days	Equipment for New Events	Equipment for Training Event
Disabled Drivers Scholarship	Event Format Innovation	Other Initiatives
Club Support	Equipment Support	
Volunteer Recognition	Innovation Pilots	
Member Onboarding Packs	Club Owned StreetCar Vehicles	
Community Building Events	Shared Equipment Libraries	
Promotional Resources – Flyers, Gazebo's, Branded Kit	Other Initiatives	
Digital Developments – Equipment, Websites		
Taster Events		
Other Initiatives		

What kind of projects are not funded through the Motorsport UK Growth Grant Scheme?

- Senior Official Training
- Karting Projects and Kart Club Developments – These remain covered by the Karting Development Fund, which supports affiliated Kart Clubs continue to grow and enhance the overall quality for new and existing participants.
- Judicial Training
- Rescue Unit Support and Safety Improvements to comply with Motorsport UK requirements or regulations - This is covered by the British Motorsport Trust Safety Development Fund Programme.

The lists above are not exhaustive. If you have any ideas that you feel would contribute to the continued growth and participation of Motorsport, do not hesitate to apply.

How do I apply?

The grant is not an unlimited resource and applications for each calendar year are open quarterly for the following quarter as below:

Funding Round	Applications Open	Applications Close	Assessment	Approval Panel	Confirmation Letters Sent
Round 1	1 st September	19 th October	October	Late October	Early November
Round 2	1 st December	31 st December	January	Late January	Early February
Round 3	1 st March	29 th March	April	Late April	Early May
Round 4	1 st June	28 th June	July	Late July	Early August

These applications are then considered by the grant's panel and, if the application is successful, up to 75% of final actual costs will be offered as grant aid.

Funding Award

Each grant aid funding award made is specific for the application against which the award is granted. Any unused funding from one application may not be carried forward to, or averaged with, other application without individual approval by Motorsport UK.

Actual Costs Incurred

Please ensure that receipts/invoices are provided, that account for all costs that you are claiming for. Whilst Motorsport UK aim to settle claims within two weeks of the submission, a number of claims are delayed because of omission of such information. This is both an audit requirement for Motorsport UK and best practice for your club.

Preparing your application

When it comes to preparing your application, please ensure your project has been clearly planned to ensure your chances of success are greater. Please ensure you complete the form as fully as possible, with as much information as possible and that all quotes are included. If your application is successful, the Motorsport UK Growth Grant Scheme will award up to 75% of the total final costs. If the final costs are less than the proposed cost on your original application, you will only receive 75% of the total cost incurred.

If your project is for the purchase of an equipment or service, Motorsport UK will ask to see three quotes from different suppliers submitted with your applications. Please be advised that any offers made are exclusive of VAT and quotes will need to separate VAT where applicable.

Chances of Success

The Motorsport UK Growth Grant Scheme is not an unlimited resource, and applications will be considered by an awarding panel. If you are successful, you will receive a funding offer letter digitally via email where Motorsport UK will confirm the percentage of the total final costs incurred and request payment information. Claims must be received within two months of the date of the offer letter or event taking place otherwise monies offered will be returned to the fund. If you experience any problems with this timescale, please contact the Motorsport UK Club & Volunteer team as soon as possible.

Motorsport UK understand that unsuccessful applicants will be disappointed. This guidance is created to help ensure applications are successful where possible. Motorsport UK will provide information in writing on why your application has been unsuccessful, to assist your club/organisation for future applications. For further clarification on why your application was unsuccessful please email club.development@motorsportuk.org

Submitting Your Application

When completing your application, please complete the form as fully as possible with as much detail and supporting information as you can. When applying online, progress can be saved, therefore, you can come back to your submission when you are ready to complete it.

Applicant's Details

Please tell us who is applying for the funding (and their role within the club), this person will be our primary point of contact. The applicant club/organisation must be affiliated with Motorsport UK.

Previous Grant(s)

If you have previously applied for grants from the Motorsport UK Development Fund (known as the Club Development Fund until April 2017) or the British Motorsport Trust Training Fund, please include details of the application(s) on the application form.

Details of your proposed project

Please select the funding stream most appropriate to your application. Please give your project a title or summarise your project in a few words so Motorsport UK have an overview of what your project is about. The questions cover the “what, why, where, who, when?” of your proposed project or training event. Whilst there are several questions, these will help the panel to assess your application and review it thoroughly. The questions include:

- **Project Summary** – In this section, please write a short summary detailing the plans for this project. Include why this project is important and what objectives are aimed to be achieved from the project and how will benefit or enhance the club or to the motorsport community. How will this project be implemented? Include all relevant information.
- **Project Longevity** – In this section, please detail the longevity plans for this project. Include if this project is likely to be an annual project or if the project is ongoing and how it contributes to a lasting legacy for the club or to the motorsport community.
- **Documents** - Please attach/include all relevant quotes, diagrams, project plans and any other relevant information for your project. If your project is for the purchase of equipment or a service, please include three quotes from different suppliers submitted with your applications. Please also include information about your preferred supplier and any information on why this supplier is preferred.

Volunteer & Marshal Training Guidance

The claim information and submission guidance document has been updated, both to reflect the changes made to the claim criteria and to align with the new grant process. This guidance document is there to help you and ensure that you have provided all the necessary paperwork (invoices, bank details, summary evaluation forms) to Motorsport UK. This will prevent any delays with your claim being processed and your final grant aid funding amount being paid. Please read the below before submitting your claim.

Training Claim Information

Training Event Insurance/Certificate of Exemption

To qualify for Motorsport UK's insurance cover for training days, you must obtain a Certificate of Exemption at least 14 days prior to the training event taking place. The Certificate of Exemption can be applied for via the Motorsport UK website by logging in as your Club or Organisation.

You are only required to complete the sections relevant to training days. Please note that Certificate of Exemptions for training events are free of charge and, that when applying for a Certificate of Exemption for training events, you are also required to submit details of the training activities to be undertaken by Motorsport UK.

Motorsport UK Trainers for Volunteer Training Events

The Trainer on any grant aided training event must be a Motorsport UK Trainer.

Exemptions to this requirement apply to specialist training (e.g Medical) at the discretion of Motorsport UK. Please note that it is the responsibility of the Motorsport UK Trainer to compile the summary evaluation form for the event and to ensure that it is available to be submitted to Motorsport UK along with the claim submission paperwork.

Training Event Details

When applying to the fund, please enter the approximate number of attendance. When claiming once your training event has taken place, please confirm the actual attendance, number of Trainers, their names and the modules covered. This information will be recorded by Motorsport UK, to help gain an understanding about the common modules being delivered and the activities of Motorsport UK Trainers.

Claim Submission Guidance

The claim submission form has been updated and a link will be included with the application approval. This part of the document will provide guidance on how to complete the claim submission form. Please ensure that you submit all necessary receipts/invoices along with your completed claim form, bank details form and summary evaluation form. Whilst Motorsport UK will endeavour to process claims within two weeks of submission, there are often delays in payment due to omission of some of this information, which is both an audit requirement for Motorsport UK and best practice for your club.

Several fields on the claim form will be populated with information you provided on your funding application. Please complete the remaining fields with the following information:

Hire Costs (if applicable)

- **Room Hire** – costs relating to the hiring of meeting space or outdoor space for practical activities to a maximum **£600ex VAT**
- **Equipment Hire** – costs relating to the hiring of audio/visual equipment, heaters, etc to a maximum of **£200ex VAT**
- **Other Hire** – any additional hire costs

Fire Costs (if applicable)

- **Extinguisher** – max unit costs **£45ex VAT**.
- **Supply Wreck** – wreck hire/purchase costs to a maximum of **£200ex VAT**
- **Fire Fuel** – fuel costs

Admin Costs (if applicable)

- **Postage & Printing** – costs relating to printing activity sheets etc for delegates. To a maximum **£20ex VAT**
- **Online Training** – costs relating to purchase online meeting software i.e. Zoom licence fees to a maximum **£20ex VAT**
- **Other** – any additional admin costs

Trainer Costs (if applicable)

- Accommodation/mileage/travel costs for Trainers delivering the training events. Please note that mileage claims for Trainers are admissible at the 2027 rate of **55p per mile up to 200 miles per day**. Trainer accommodation is offered at the rate of **up to £120 per night**. Meals are covered up to the following:
 - Breakfast - **£10**
 - Lunch - **£15**
 - Evening Meal - **£25**

Catering Costs (if applicable)

- Refreshments to a maximum of **£15 per head per day**.

Claim Amount

- **Total costs** – please calculate your actual incurred costs.
- **Claim to Motorsport UK** – The claim to Motorsport UK should be your final actual costs incurred. Of which 75% will be paid up to the maximum awarded in your confirmation letter.

Actual Costs Incurred

Please ensure that receipts/invoices are provided, that account for all costs that you are claiming for. Whilst Motorsport UK do aim to settle claims within two weeks of their submission, a number of claims are delayed because of omission of such information. This is both an audit requirement for Motorsport UK and best practice for your club.

Claim Submission Deadlines

Please ensure that you submit your claim submission paperwork no later than two months (60 days) after your training event has taken place. (Example: Training event takes place on 16/01/2027, claim should be submitted no later than 16/03/2027). Motorsport UK will endeavour to process your claim within two weeks of your submission, should all necessary paperwork have been provided.

If you foresee any difficulties in meeting this claim submission deadline, please contact club.development@motorsportuk.org or on 01753 765000 as soon as possible.