



### **USEF Vaulting Competition/Training** **General Athlete Grant Criteria**

USEF general grants are made available each year for our competitive international vaulters. Grants may be given for a variety of expenses including travel, horse lease or clinician fees, but are intended to encourage vaulters to train and compete abroad. The Grants sub-committee of the VSC reviews and awards general grants submitted by vaulters in the order they are received. Note approved grants will be paid following the dates of the competition or training.

Major invitational competitions such as The World Cup, Aachen and the World Championships funds are allocated directly by the Vaulting Sport Committee based on competitors funding tier, no application is required to receive these funds.

#### **Qualification:**

Individuals, Pas de Deux and Squads that meet the current minimum scoring criteria will be eligible for the general grants. The minimum scores are aligned with the Pathways Developing and Elite criteria found on the USEF website.

These are:

	<b>Juniors/2* Young</b>		<b>Seniors</b>	
	Developing	Elite	Developing	Elite
Individuals	7.0	7.6	7.5	8.0
PDD	7.0	7.6	7.5	8.1
Squad	6.5	7.0	7.0	7.5

A vaulters' classification (Developing or Elite) will be based on the vaulters' scores for the 18 months prior to the event dates. The vaulter must meet the minimum scores noted above twice during the 18 month period. The following scores will be considered:

- Junior Individuals - Round 1 only (compulsories and R1 Freestyle)
- Young Individuals and Senior Individuals Overall (Comps, Tech and Freestyle)
- PDD 2\* and 3\* - Overall (Round 1 and 2 Freestyle)
- Squad 2\* and 3\* - Round 1 only (compulsories and R1 Freestyle)

#### **Applicable Events for a General Grant:**

Any domestic CVI or designated USEF observation event more than 500 miles from the vaulter's registered club or any foreign CVI. If a vaulter is residing in Europe to receive CVI funding the event must be 500 miles from the club they are training with while in Europe. Applications may also be submitted for training in Europe.

**General Grant Amounts:**

The VSC has an annual fixed budget for grants, this amount may vary year to year. Grants will be reviewed and awarded following the deadline for applications. Grants will be awarded fairly with consideration of the following details:

- Number of applications received
- Details of the narrative included with the application.
- Vaulters's scores included on the application

**Other Criteria:**

Vaulters may only be funded for one event per competition. If the vaulter is on a squad, the funding will be for the squad plus one additional event.

**Application:**

The application and General Grants Criteria will be posted on the USEF website, announced by email (USEF vaulting membership) and sent out via the EVUSA Blast.

**Application Deadline:**

Vaulters must submit any applications for events by the deadline noted on the application. Applications must be completed with all requested information in order to be considered. If the applicant is a minor, a parent or guardian must provide an email for all official correspondence received from the USEF. Once a grant is awarded there is a timeframe to provide the USEF with the required information (this date will be listed on your official Grant letter from the USEF), if not received within that timeframe the funds allocated will go back into the budget for reallocation.