

Grants Criteria for 2023

The VSC will review and award general grants for Junior, 2* Young Vaulters and Senior vaulters to compete in observation events and CVI's. Funding for major invitational competitions such as The World Cup, Aachen and the World Championships are a part of a different process and do not require an application. If there are sufficient funds, requests for training grants may be approved (both domestic and foreign) for athletes to travel in the US or to Europe to train and select horses during the season.

Qualification:

Individual vaulters, Squads and PDD that meet the current minimum scores criteria will be eligible for these grants. The minimum scores are aligned with the Pathways Developing and Elite criteria found on the USEF website. These are:

	Juniors/2* Young		Seniors	
	Developing	Elite	Developing	Elite
Individuals	7.0	7.6	7.1	8.0
PDD	7.0	7.6	7.5	8.1
Squad	6.5	7.0	6.8	7.7

The vaulters' classification (Developing or Elite) will be based on the vaulters' scores 4 weeks before the start of the competition for which they are requesting the grant.

- If a vaulter's classification changes (i.e. Developing to Elite) after they apply but prior to the competition or training dates, the grant amount can be adjusted to the higher amount if brought to the attention of the Vaulting Sport Committee.

The committee will also consider grant applications from vaulters who have earned only one or no Pathways score, as well. Applicants with one or no qualifying scores will be considered individually based on current scores in the States and any International competition.

Applicable Events:

Grants can be used for any domestic CVI or observation event more than 500 miles from the vaulter's registered club, and foreign CVIs. Training grants for travel to Europe may be available depending on funding resources available for the year.

Grant Amounts:

The VSC has an annual fixed budget for grants. Grants will be reviewed and awarded in order of receipt until the grant funds have been spent.

For both Juniors, 2* Young Vaulters and Seniors, grants will be awarded as follows:

	Developing	Elite
Individuals	\$1,000	\$3,000
PDD	\$1,500	\$4,500
Squad	\$3,000	\$9,000

Additionally, vaulters who earn an elite score at any CVI may be awarded an additional \$500 per CVI. (Vaulters must request this bonus by submitting their scores to Michelle McQueen mmcqueen@usef.org within 30 days of the competition date.)

Other Criteria:

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

Applicants that meet the stated criteria for developing and elite will be approved on a rolling basis by the Grants Subcommittee. Applicants with zero or one Pathways scores will be considered individually by the Vaulting Sports Committee at their next scheduled meeting.

Application:

The application and annual 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 are encouraged to submit grant applications as soon as possible. Applications will be reviewed and awarded in order that they are received. Applications must be completed with all requested information to be considered. You may apply for a grant post travel if travel is for the current competition year. If the applicant is a minor, a parent or guardian must provide an email for all official correspondence received from the USEF. There is no deadline for requesting grants but once a grant is awarded there is a timeframe to provide the USEF with the required information, if not received within that timeframe the funds allocated will go back into the pool for reallocation.