

Cricket Switzerland Infrastructure Development Support Policy 2025

To develop the cricketing Infrastructure in Switzerland, Cricket Switzerland will endeavour to financially support all Cricket Switzerland Full Members ('CSFMs') in their investment in **Infrastructure** Development and procurement of **Essential Equipment**.

Available funds dedicated to support the 'Cricket Switzerland Infrastructure Support Policy' may vary year-on-year and accordingly will be subject to annual review aligned to the Cricket Switzerland budgetary process and further subject to ratification at AGM.

Infrastructure Development is defined as improvement in physical structures such as playing grounds, training facilities & equipment (e.g. nets, bowling machines, etc), clubhouses (including water supply, toilet facilities, electricity, telecommunications), tents to be used as changing rooms (n.b. mandatory availability for women & all junior players), and storage facilities for rollout pitches and equipment.

Essential Equipment includes any pieces of equipment that are not currently available to clubs, due to unaffordability or do not exist at home grounds, and which includes medical first aid supplies, mandatory playing equipment such as helmets, other essential safety equipment, plus scoreboards and electronic scoring devices.

<u>Financial Support - Essential Equipment</u>: value </= CHF1'000

For Season 2025, Cricket Switzerland on specific application funds up to the value of up to **CHF 750** shall be available to each CSFM (per the calendar year) for purchase of Essential Equipment.

Funds will be distributed strictly on a reimbursement basis. The CSFMs shall be required to submit copy of all relevant invoices (along with the proof of payment) for qualifying items, to qualify, Essential Equipment purchased must not be personalised and be freely available for use by all CSFM club members.

Essential Equipment does not include such items as bats, balls, gloves, pads, stumps, playing kit, boundary markers, or any other low value equipment or renewable supplies.

In cases of doubt about eligibility of any such procurements, CSFMs may seek approval prior to purchase from the Director Finance (email: finance@cricketswitzerland.ch).

<u>Financial Support - Infrastructure Development: value </= 20% of investment proposal</u>

Infrastructure investment applications seeking a CS contribution of more than CHF1'000 shall be subject to specific application and written agreement with Cricket Switzerland. Infrastructure Development investments should benefit the development of cricket in Switzerland as a whole (including the development of infrastructure for use by the Swiss National Cricket Teams), as well as benefiting the requesting CSFM club members directly.

The CSFM must submit a clearly defined project proposal, to the Deputy Chair (responsible for Infrastructure Development)

(email:<u>mohamed.vasim@cricketswitzerland.ch</u>) and the Director Finance (email:<u>finance@cricketswitzerland.ch</u>), with details including execution timelines, funding sources, costs, and benefits to both the CSFM itself as well as to the development of cricket in Switzerland generally.

The Infrastructure Development and Finance teams will review the project proposal, and if deemed beneficial and depending on the availability of funds at the time, will make a proposal to the Board for approving funding for up to 30% of the total project costs. The exact amount of funding will be determined, by the Board, depending upon the overall costs and benefits of the project and will not be the same for all projects.

The participating CSFMs will be required, to sign an agreement with Cricket Switzerland detailing the exact amount of funding, benefits the project brings and an undertaking from the CSFM to share those benefits to develop cricket in Switzerland (including the development of the National Teams).

Assessment Criteria & Weighting:

Generally speaking, the applicant CSFM should have already employed a tender evaluation process using weighted criteria to determine the offer / tender of best value to be presented to CS' Tender Evaluation Committee (TEC), comprising Director Infrastructure & Development, Director Finance, and one other Board member that shall independently review the application.

The TEC will apply a {second} system of weighted selection criteria for an in depth evaluation of the proposal with regards to relevance, coherence, effectiveness, efficiency, impact and sustainability, placing particular focus upon:

Weighted Value	-	<u>Determination</u>
15%		Nature of investment (e.g. club house, nets, pitch replacement)
35%		Potential availability to CS Nati teams & CS clubs generally
25%		Stand alone or multi-club project development
15%		Location & accessibility & potential number of users
10%		Innovation & sustainability of the solution

Post review, the TEC shall prepare an Evaluation Review to be shared with the applicant CSFM detailing the allocated weighted value – ergo the value of the contribution (if any) to be made to the cost of the proposal by Cricket Switzerland. The TEC decision will be final and not open to further discussion.

The Finance team will thereafter disburse the approved funds in accordance with the specific payment profile agreed for the respective project. Where projects extend over one or more calendar years, the Cricket Switzerland support contribution will be adjusted accordingly (pro rata temporis).
