

Functions of Sport NZ Group

Sport New Zealand

Under section 8 of the Sport and Recreation New Zealand Act 2002, Sport NZ's functions are to—

- (a) develop and implement national policies and strategies for physical recreation and sport:
- (b) allocate funds to organisations and regional bodies in line with its policies and strategies:
- (c) promote and advocate the importance of participation in physical activity by all New Zealanders for their health and well-being:
- (d) promote and disseminate research relevant to physical recreation and sport:
- (e) provide advice to the Minister on issues relating to physical recreation and sport:
- (f) promote and support the development and implementation of physical recreation and sport in a way that is culturally appropriate to Maori:
- (g) encourage participation in physical recreation and sport by Pacific peoples, women, older New Zealanders, and people with disabilities:
- (h) recognise the role of physical recreation and sport in the rehabilitation of people with disabilities:
- (i) facilitate the resolution of disputes between persons or organisations involved in physical recreation and sport:
- (j) work with schools, regional, central, and local government, and physical recreation and sports organisations to ensure the maintenance and development of the physical and organisational infrastructure for physical recreation and sport:
- (k) work with health, education, and other agencies to promote greater participation in physical recreation and sport through policy development, advocacy, and support, in line with the objectives of the New Zealand health strategy:
- (l) provide advice and support for organisations working in physical recreation and sport at national, regional, and local levels:
- (m) facilitate co-ordination between national, regional, and local physical recreation and sport organisations:
- (n) represent the Government's policy interests in physical recreation and sport internationally.

High Performance Sport NZ

The objectives of HPSNZ, as set out in its Constitution, are to:

- make New Zealand the most successful sporting nation in the world by developing high performance sport;
- create a more focused high performance sport system in order to advance the other objectives;
- ensure the high performance sport system is as efficient as possible in order to advance the other objectives;
- effect a culture change in New Zealand high performance sport with an increased focus on excellence;
- be the lead agency for New Zealand high performance sport including athletes and sports people and provide a holistic and multi-disciplinary educational approach for overall personal, career and athletic development of high performance sports people;
- ensure that world-class coaches are recruited, developed and retained to train our high performance athletes and sports people;
- maximise the use of technology and innovation in high performance sport;
- educate, and support the education and development of high performance sports people including by providing access to financial support such as scholarships and grants
- increase the number of high performance sport facilities and services in New Zealand;
- ensure that national sport organisations are accountable for meeting agreed high performance outcomes; and
- ensure alignment and continuity between high performance sport and community sport.

As HPSNZ is wholly owned by Sport NZ, Sport NZ retains ultimate accountability for the oversight and delivery of HPSNZ's high performance programme. It is subject to its Constitution, the Crown Entitles Act 2004, the Companies Act 1993, and the Sport and Recreation Act 2002.