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Sport Ireland High Performance Sport Investment 2022



SPORT IRELAND HIGH PERFORMANCE

The medals recorded by Sport Ireland reflect performances by high performance funded programmes at recognised World and European major events, across youth, junior and senior level. These medals were achieved in spite of reduced periods of competition due to Covid-19.

2021 PERFORMANCES

62 MAJOR MEDALS WON



36 FEMALE MEDALS
24 MALE MEDALS
2 OPEN/MIXED MEDALS

42 SENIOR LEVEL
20 JUNIOR/YOUTH/U23 LEVEL

OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES RESULTS

TOTAL
MEDALS
4

Tokyo Olympic Games
2 Gold & 2 Bronze

2 x GOLD MEDALS

Kellie Harrington (Lightweight, Boxing)
Paul O'Donovan/Fintan McCarthy
(Lightweight Double Sculls, Rowing)

2 x BRONZE MEDALS

Aifric Keogh, Eimear Lambe, Fiona Murtagh
and Emily Hegarty (Four, Rowing)
Aidan Walsh (Welterweight, Boxing)

TOTAL
MEDALS
7

Tokyo Paralympic Games
4 Gold, 2 Silver & 1 Bronze

4 x GOLD MEDALS

Ellen Keane (SB8 100m Breaststroke, Swimming)
Jason Smyth (T13 100m, Athletics)
Katie-George Dunlevy and Eve McCrystal
(Road Time Trial Tandem B &
Road Race Tandem B, Cycling)

2 x SILVER MEDALS

Nicole Turner (S6 50m Butterfly, Swimming)
Katie-George Dunlevy and Eve McCrystal
(Individual Pursuit Tandem B, Cycling)

1 x BRONZE MEDAL

Gary O'Reilly (H5 Time Trial, Cycling)

High Performance

Sport Ireland's vision for High Performance Sport is Ireland consistently achieving podium success on the world stage, inspiring the nation and future generations. We aim to achieve this vision through systemic and sustainable results, led by National Governing Bodies and their High Performance Programmes.

High Performance Funding

High Performance Programme Funding is provided to National Governing Bodies to support the delivery of their performance programmes. This funding supports a range of activities including training camps and competitions, pathway development, performance services and performance team salaries. These programmes are central to supporting Irish athletes and teams in reaching finals and achieving medals at European & World Championships, Olympic & Paralympic Games.

High Performance Strategy 2021-2032

The commitments to high performance sport identified in the National Sports Policy 2018-2027 provide a significant increase in funding throughout the Paris cycle. Sport Ireland will provide funding to the high performance system in a manner which reflects the mandate of the Sport Ireland High Performance Strategy 2021-2032. Sport Ireland's investment across the high performance system is an important step-change in support and aims to facilitate the achievement of the Strategy's performance targets. The High Performance Strategy places an emphasis on targeting resources at priority and medal potential sports and improving the capability and capacity of the system to develop and support our athletes.

Multi-Annual Commitment

National Governing Bodies have been approved multi-annual funding from 2022 to 2024. This funding package also recognises the investment provided to NGBs in year one (2021) of the Paris 2024 Cycle.

Sport Ireland acknowledge that increased and multi-annual funding present an enhanced expectation on NGBs across governance, performance, and programme delivery.



High Performance Programme Funding: Paris Cycle 2021-2024

Funded Body	2021	2022	2023	2024	Total Paris Funding Package
Rowing Ireland	€620,000	€1,093,333	€1,093,333	€1,093,334	€3,900,000
Paralympics Ireland	€700,000	€1,000,000	€1,000,000	€1,000,000	€3,700,000
Athletics Ireland	€840,000	€841,667	€841,667	€841,666	€3,365,000
Hockey Ireland	€730,000	€856,667	€856,667	€856,666	€3,300,000
Irish Sailing Association	€800,000	€800,000	€800,000	€800,000	€3,200,000
Horse Sport Ireland	€690,000	€803,333	€803,333	€803,334	€3,100,000
Swim Ireland	€630,000	€756,667	€756,667	€756,666	€2,900,000
Cycling Ireland	€440,000	€520,000	€520,000	€520,000	€2,000,000
Golf Ireland	€450,000	€516,667	€516,667	€516,666	€2,000,000
Gymnastics Ireland	€230,000	€506,667	€506,667	€506,666	€1,750,000
Irish Rugby Football Union	€300,000	€416,667	€416,667	€416,666	€1,550,000
Badminton Ireland	€160,000	€346,667	€346,667	€346,666	€1,200,000
Cricket Ireland	€200,000	€333,333	€333,333	€333,334	€1,200,000
Pentathlon Ireland	€290,000	€286,667	€286,667	€286,666	€1,150,000
Triathlon Ireland	€250,000	€250,000	€250,000	€250,000	€1,000,000
Irish Judo Association	€70,000	€226,667	€226,667	€226,666	€750,000
Canoeing Ireland	€50,000	€216,667	€216,667	€216,666	€700,000
Irish Taekwondo Union	€50,000	€150,000	€150,000	€150,000	€500,000
Tennis Ireland	€200,000	-	-	-	€200,000
Irish Clay Target Association	€30,000	-	-	-	€30,000
Irish Athletic Boxing Association*	€770,000	*	*	*	*
Total HP Programme Funding	€8,500,000	€9,921,669	€9,921,669	€9,921,662	€38,265,000

* Funding to the Irish Athletic Boxing Association is not yet confirmed.

High Performance Operations & Administration Funding

Funded Body	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Olympic Federation of Ireland	€300,000	€300,000	€420,000	€420,000	€420,000	€500,000
Paralympics Ireland	€375,000	€397,500	€400,000	€400,000	€400,000	€450,000
Total	€675,000	€697,500	€820,000	€820,000	€820,000	€950,000

Direct Athlete/Player Support						
Funded Body	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
International Carding Scheme	€1,767,000	€1,900,000	€1,934,000	€2,460,500	€2,748,000	€3,080,500
Team Ireland Golf	€200,000	€202,500	€220,000	€220,000	€275,000	€275,000
Total	€1,967,000	€2,102,500	€2,154,000	€2,680,500	€3,023,000	€3,355,500

Sport Ireland invested €31m in High Performance Programme Funding across 21 sports throughout the Tokyo Cycle 2017-2020. This funding supported the delivery of NGBs' Performance Programmes.

High Performance Programme Funding: Tokyo Cycle 2017-2020	
NGB	Total
Athletics Ireland	€3,305,000
Irish Sailing Association	€3,070,000
Irish Athletic Boxing Association	€2,940,000
Paralympics Ireland	€2,730,000
Hockey Ireland	€2,510,000
Horse Sport Ireland	€2,440,000
Swim Ireland	€2,380,000
Rowing Ireland	€2,290,000
Golf Ireland	€1,710,000
Cycling Ireland	€1,595,000
Pentathlon Ireland	€1,080,000
Irish Rugby Football Union	€1,040,000
Triathlon Ireland	€940,000
Tennis Ireland	€745,000
Cricket Ireland	€720,000
Gymnastics Ireland	€650,000
Badminton Ireland	€580,000
Irish Judo Association	€230,000
Canoeing Ireland	€180,000
Irish Taekwondo Union	€180,000
Irish Clay Target Association	€110,000
Total	€31,425,000

Sport Ireland provided additional support to address the immediate and confirmed costs to high performance programmes in respect of the Olympic and Paralympic Games. In 2020 and 2021, Sport Ireland also provided support to address additional costs that arose due to Covid-19.

High Performance Special Project Funding 2018 - 2021	
	Total
Hockey Ireland	€915,000
Olympic Federation of Ireland	€840,000
Paralympics Ireland	€821,000
Horse Sport Ireland	€665,000
Rowing Ireland	€530,000
Cricket Ireland	€440,000
Irish Rugby Football Union	€270,000
Gymnastics Ireland	€255,000
Swim Ireland	€240,000
Irish Athletic Boxing Association	€230,000
Irish Sailing Association	€205,000
Athletics Ireland	€155,000
Cycling Ireland	€110,000
Irish Judo Association	€110,000
Canoeing Ireland	€87,500
Irish Taekwondo Union	€75,000
Golf Ireland	€70,000
Badminton Ireland	€62,000
Triathlon Ireland	€45,000
Pentathlon Ireland	€30,000
Tennis Ireland	€20,000
Total	€6,175,500

2022 International Carding Scheme

The International Carding Scheme provides financial support to athletes for their training and competition programmes. The primary purpose of this funding is to support Irish athletes in reaching finals and achieving medals at European, World, Olympic and Paralympic level.

In 2022, Sport Ireland will invest €3,080,500 under the International Carding Scheme. This will support 112 athletes and 10 relays/squads, across 16 sports.

Sport Ireland have introduced a series of advancements to the International Carding Scheme. These are in line with the objective of the Sport High Performance Strategy 2021-2032 and include:

1. Increased funding to athletes at International Level from €12,000 to €18,000
2. Increase funding to athletes at World Class Level from €20,000 to €25,000
3. Multi Annual Funding in 2023 and 2024
4. Athlete Career Transition Programme which provides a continuation of financial and services support to athletes upon retirement

Highlights of the 2022 International Carding Scheme

- 19 athletes have been awarded the top category of Podium Level funding including all Olympic and Paralympic Medallists.
- 31 athletes will receive World Class Level funding
- 62 athletes will receive International Level funding.
- In the sports of Athletics, Badminton, Cycling, Gymnastics, Rowing and Swimming, pool funding and/or relay funding will be provided to support a broad number of athletes.
- 22 athletes from 8 sports have been approved on the Athlete Career Transition Programme in 2021 and 2022. Athletes engaging in this Programme in 2022 will receive 50% of their 2022 Carding Award and a continuation of services support from Sport Ireland Institute, upon retirement.
- Due to the reduced competitions in 2021, Sport Ireland permitted NGBs to nominate athletes for support under the International Carding Scheme who did not achieve criteria, but competed in the Tokyo Olympic/Paralympic Games, and were considered high potential for Paris 2024. Recognising Sport Ireland's continued commitment to our athletes, 19 individuals will receive funding in 2022 under this criteria. These athletes will be guaranteed 75% of their Award with the remaining 25% dependent on the achievement of Carding Criteria during 2022.



2022 International Carding Scheme

NGB	Athlete	Category	Award
Athletics Ireland	Thomas Barr	World Class	€25,000
	Ciara Mageean	World Class	€25,000
	Brendan Boyce	World Class	€25,000
	Fionnuala McCormack	World Class	€25,000
	Mixed 4x400m	Pool Funding	€60,000
	Mark English	International	€18,000
	Alex Wright*	International	€18,000
	Andrew Coscoran	International	€18,000
	Phil Healy	International	€18,000
	Marcus Lawler*	International	€18,000
	Kate O'Connor	International	€18,000
	Sarah Healy*	International	€18,000
	David Kenny*	International	€18,000
	Michelle Finn	International	€18,000
	Stephen Scullion*	International	€18,000
	Eilish Flanagan*	International	€18,000
	Nadia Power*	International	€18,000
	Siofra Cleirigh Buttner*	International	€18,000
	Sarah Lavin*	International	€18,000
	Rhasidat Adeleke		
Darragh McElhinney	Pool Funding	€30,000	
Cian McPhillips			
Principal Sport: Athletics Ireland			€442,000
Badminton Ireland (Para)	Niall McVeigh	International	€18,000
Badminton Ireland	Nhat Nguyen	International	€18,000
	Joshua Magee	International	€18,000
	Paul Reynolds	International	€18,000
	Rachael Darragh		
	Kate Frost	Pool Funding	€40,000
Moya Ryan			
Principal Sport: Badminton Ireland			€112,000
Canoeing Ireland (Para)	Patrick O'Leary	Podium	€40,000
Canoeing Ireland	Liam Jegou	World Class	€25,000
	Jennifer Egan	World Class	€25,000
	Jake Cochrane	International	€18,000
	Robert Hendrick	International	€18,000
Canoeing Ireland			€126,000

2022 International Carding Scheme			
NGB	Athlete	Category	Award
Cycling Ireland	Mia Griffin	World Class	€25,000
	Alice Sharpe	World Class	€25,000
	Kelly Murphy	World Class	€25,000
	Emily Kay	World Class	€25,000
	Lara Gillespie	World Class	€25,000
	Orla Walsh	International	€18,000
	Shannon McCurley	International	€18,000
	Men Madison Squad: Jack Murphy and other athletes to be confirmed	Pool Funding	€40,000
Cycling Ireland (Para)	Katie George Dunlevy & Eve McCrystal	Podium	€60,000
	Ronan Grimes	Podium	€40,000
	Gary O'Reilly	Podium	€40,000
	Martin Gordon & Eoin Mullen	World Class	€37,500
	Damien Vereker & Marcin Mizgajsk	International	€27,000
	Richael Timothy	International	€18,000
	Declan Slevin	International	€18,000
	Chris Burns	International	€18,000
Principal Sport: Cycling Ireland			€459,500
Gymnastics Ireland	Rhys McClenaghan	Podium	€40,000
	Emma Slevin	World Class	€25,000
	Adam Steele	International	€18,000
	Emma Slevin	International	€18,000
	Women's & Men's Panel	Pool Funding	€60,000
Principal Sport: Gymnastics Ireland			€161,000
Irish Athletic Boxing Association	Kellie Harrington	Podium	€40,000
	Aidan Walsh	Podium	€40,000
	Michaela Walsh	Podium	€40,000
	Aoife O'Rourke	Podium	€40,000
	Brendan Irvine	World Class	€25,000
	Amy Broadhurst	World Class	€25,000
	KeyIn Cassidy	World Class	€25,000
Irish Athletic Boxing Association			€235,000
Irish Clay Target Shooting Association	Aoife Gormally	International	€18,000
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Note: Emmet Brennan was approved for carding in 2022 but has since turned professional

2022 International Carding Scheme			
NGB	Athlete	Category	Award
Irish Judo Association	Benjamin Fletcher	World Class	€25,000
	Nathon Burns	International	€18,000
	Eoin Fleming	International	€18,000
	Joshua Green	International	€18,000
	Bearach Gleeson	International	€18,000
	Rachael Hawkes	International	€18,000
Irish Judo Association			€115,000
Irish Sailing Association	Finn Lynch	Podium	€40,000
	Robert Dickson	World Class	€25,000
	Sean Waddilove	World Class	€25,000
	Seafra Guilfoyle	International	€18,000
	Johnny Duncan	International	€18,000
	Aoife Hopkins	International	€18,000
	Ewan McMahon	International	€18,000
	Eve McMahon	International	€18,000
Principal Sport: Irish Sailing Association			€180,000
Irish Taekwondo Union	Jack Woolley	World Class	€25,000
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Paralympics Ireland (Athletics)	Jason Smyth	Podium	€40,000
	Greta Streimikyte	World Class	€25,000
	Patrick Monahan*	International	€18,000
	Jordan Lee	International	€18,000
	Orla Comerford*	International	€18,000
	Mary Fitzgerald	International	€18,000
Paralympics Ireland (Swimming)	Ellen Keane	Podium	€40,000
	Nicole Turner	Podium	€40,000
	Roisin Ni Riain	World Class	€25,000
	Barry McClements	International	€18,000
Principal Sport: Paralympics Ireland			€260,000
Pentathlon Ireland	Natalya Coyle	World Class	€25,000
	Sive Brassil	International	€18,000
Pentathlon Ireland			€43,000
Rowing Ireland	Paul O'Donovan	Podium	€40,000
	Fintan McCarthy	Podium	€40,000
	Fiona Murtagh	Podium	€40,000
	Eimear Lambe	Podium	€40,000
	Aifric Keogh	Podium	€40,000
	Emily Hegarty	Podium	€40,000
	Phil Doyle	World Class	€25,000
Rowing continued overleaf			

2022 International Carding Scheme			
NGB	Athlete	Category	Award
Rowing Ireland (contd.)	Ronan Byrne	World Class	€25,000
	Margaret Creman	World Class	€25,000
	Aoife Casey	World Class	€25,000
	Monika Dukarska	World Class	€25,000
	Sanita Puspure	World Class	€25,000
	Ross Corrigan	International	€18,000
	Jack Dorney	International	€18,000
	John Kearney	International	€18,000
	Tara Hanlon	Pool Funding Olympic Reserves	€60,000
	Gary O' Donovan		
	Daire Lynch		
	Lydia Heaphy	Pool Funding	€18,000
	Targeted Athletes		
Principal Sport: Rowing Ireland			€522,000
Swim Ireland	Mona McSharry	World Class	€25,000
	Daniel Wiffen	International	€18,000
	Shane Ryan*	International	€18,000
	Brendan Hyland*	International	€18,000
	Darragh Greene*	International	€18,000
	Danielle Hill*	International	€18,000
	Ellen Walshe*	International	€18,000
	Jack McMillan*	International	€18,000
	Finn McGeever*	International	€18,000
	Tanya Watson	International	€18,000
	Clare Cryan	International	€18,000
	Niamh Coyne	Pool Funding	€30,000
	Calum Bain		
	Eoin Corby		
	400m Men Medley Relay	Pool Funding	€20,000
800m Men Freestyle Relay	Pool Funding	€30,000	
Principal Sport: Swim Ireland			€285,000
Table Tennis Ireland (Para)	Colin Judge	International	€18,000
Table Tennis Ireland (Para)			€18,000
Triathlon Ireland	Carolyn Hayes	World Class	€25,000
	Russell White*	International	€18,000
Triathlon Ireland (Para)	Donnacha McCarthy	International	€18,000
Triathlon Ireland	Maeve Gallagher	International	€18,000
Principal Sport: Triathlon Ireland			€79,000

* denotes athlete is without criteria, competed in Tokyo 2020 and is considered by their NGB as high potential for Paris 2024.



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