

Applying for facility usage grant for school sports hall bookings in 2026

By decision of the Director of Culture and Leisure, the pricing of sports service's facilities and school sports halls will be aligned under a model with uniform principles. The new pricing will take effect on 1 June 2026. In practice, the prices for school sports hall bookings will become more affordable during the autumn season of 2026, and based on these lower prices, no facility usage subsidy will be granted anymore.

Read the Director's decision (3 December 2025, § 44) on the new price list effective from 1 June 2026 [here](#) (In Finnish).

The Sports Subcommittee will decide on the removal of school facilities from the scope of the facility usage subsidy at its meeting on 27 January 2026.

Reporting the use of school sports halls as a part of the operating and facility usage subsidy application in 2026

Facility usage subsidy for school sports halls in 2026 will only be granted based on usage during the spring season. If the applicant's facility usage in 2026 changes significantly compared to 2025, this will be taken into account in the calculation of the subsidy as a significant change for the application year (reason: a facility rented or owned by the club becomes eligible for subsidy or is removed from eligibility during the application year).

Instructions for reporting a significant change in the application:

- The applicant reports the specified change in the "Significant planned change in facility usage for the following year +/- hours and rental amount and reason for the change" section of the application, so that the change in hours and rental amount for school facilities in spring and autumn 2026 is clear.
- The applicant specifies in the facility usage attachment (.xlsx) an estimate of school facility usage for spring and autumn 2026 by facility, clearly separated from the data describing the actual usage in 2025 (preferably in a separate table).

A significant change for the application year must never be reported in the "Rent paid for sports facilities" section under "Total hours" or "Total/EUR" boxes!

The facility usage attachment must always include the actual usage for the previous year (1 January–31 December 2025) according to the instructions.