

Mission

To facilitate and support the participation of Deaf and hard of hearing New Zealanders in sport.

Vision

To develop the numbers of Deaf and hard of hearing enjoying sport.

Focus Areas

- 1. Participation**
- 2. Competition**
- 3. Communication**
- 4. Human Resources**

1. Participation

- Work with other organisations to provide Sports Camps for High School students
- Promote local mainstream sports events as a healthy lifestyle choice
- Continue the development of the New Zealand Deaf Games
- Provide opportunities for friends of the Deaf Community to be involved
- Gather feedback from the Community

2. Competition

- Increased participation at International and National level
- Encourage participation in Open Championships
- Work with National Associate Members to organise their Open Championships

Founded 1963 - Affiliated with the International Committee for Sport for the Deaf (ICSD)

3. Communication

- Maintain regular communication with our Associate Members
- Keep the members informed via Social Media and the Website
- Maintain the Deaf Sports NZ website, and keep it up to date and relevant

4. Human Resources

- We will have staff to achieve the objectives of Deaf Sports New Zealand
- We will be well governed
- Funding systems will be in place to ensure that we maintain a healthy financial position
- We will manage our finances responsibly
- Memorandums of Understanding will be established with relevant organisations
- Networks within the Sports Sector shall be maintained
- Policies will be developed to provide the Executive Board, staff and members with clear guidelines