

Circular 3426

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2016 FOUNDATION & DEVELOPMENT COACHING COURSES NOMINATION

Attention: Club Presidents, Club Secretaries, Branch Officers & Coaches.

Actioned by: Coaches wishing to upskill themselves and gain an SLSA Foundation or Development Coaching Accreditation

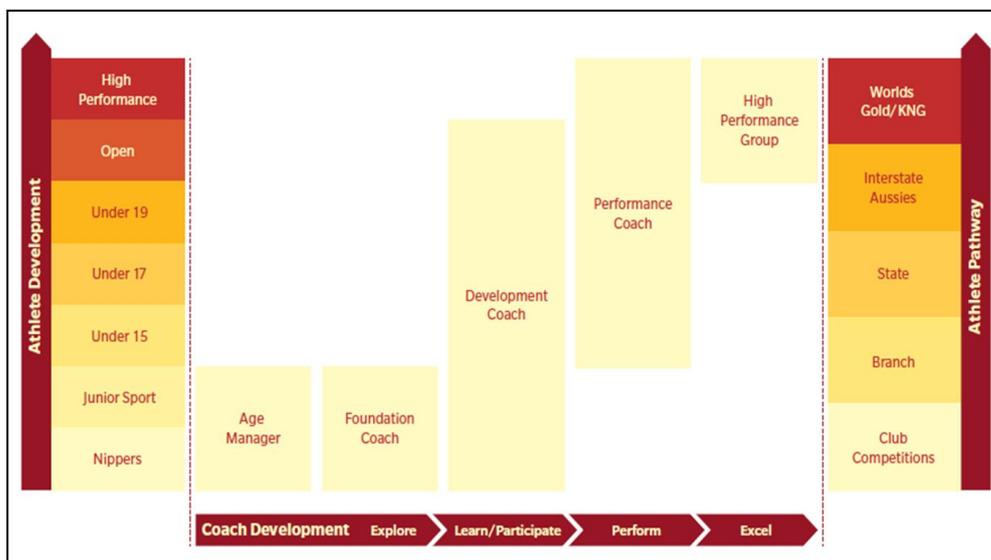
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Summary	Nominations are now open for coaches wishing to upskill themselves and gain an SLSA Foundation or Development Coaching Accreditation
Strategic Goals	To invest in sporting pathways to ensure sustained participation. To provide high quality education and accredited training to our members and the community.
Key Strategies	7.2 Provide clear educational and developmental pathways for members. 7.4 Provide lifelong opportunities for our members to be employable and develop valuable skills. 8.1 Increase participation in our sport and recreational activities at a grass roots level through structured and appropriately tiered programs. 8.2 Bolster developmental pathways and opportunities for our athletes, coaches, officials and administrators through the stages of their sporting life.
Action	Complete the nomination survey via: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2015FoundationandDevelopmentCoachingCourses

Following a comprehensive review of the SLSA Surf Sports Coaching Framework in 2012/13, SLSA has redesigned the way coaches are recruited, trained, supported, and retained. The result is a contemporary, flexible, interactive and purpose-built coach development framework, designed to ensure we are developing **great coaches** in all coaching environments and in all Surf Sport disciplines.

The new SLSA Coaching Framework is fundamentally taking over what was formally known as the Junior Coaching, Level 1, Level 2, and Level 3 courses. The major change to the coaching framework is that it is now discipline specific. SLSA Surf Sports Coach training sits under the umbrella of the National Coaching Accreditation Scheme (NCAS), which covers over 80 different sports throughout Australia and is managed by the Australian Sports Commission (ASC). SLSA has a 5-tiered Coaching Pathway which is outlined in Figure 1 below.
Note: The Age Manager qualification is not part of the National Coach Accreditation Scheme.



The new coaching course format has two components; theory and practical. There are no more face to face coaching courses. The bulk of the course is done online, followed by the practical assessment which is carried out once the online modules are completed. This is organised between you and SLSNSW. All the theoretical components must be completed prior to the practical session.

If you wish to complete a Foundation or Development coaching course, nominations will be open in the months of January, April, July & October 2016. This will create quarterly intakes. By nominating in one of these months, you are simply expressing interest that you wish to complete a course. Formal enrollment will be completed following the close of nominations where SLSNSW will contact you to provide more information about payment, how to access the modules, etc. You will be given one month to complete the online modules which are then followed by the practical assessment where the date and location will be communicated with all participants. You should allow 6-10 weeks from the time of nominating to the time you will receive your accreditation.

Cost

Foundation: \$175 including GST
 Development: \$230 including GST

How to Nominate

1. Please read the [Coaching Framework FAQ's](#) and ['About the SLSA Coaching Framework'](#) and familiarise yourself with the structure and requirements of the new courses.
2. All nominees must be a current financial member of a SLSC.
3. Ensure you have a [SLSA Members Portal](#) Account
4. Write down your SLSA Members Portal Account username; you will need this information when completing the nomination survey. Please contact the SLSA IT Help Desk ithelp@slsa.asn.au if you do not have one.
5. Complete the nomination survey via <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2015FoundationandDevelopmentCoachingCourses>
 This survey will be open from 1-31 January, 1-30 April, 1-31 July, 1-31 October 2016. No nominations will be accepted outside of these dates.
6. Following the close of nominations, you will be contacted and given information on your chosen course, payment method and access to the online modules via the SLSA Members Portal where you will complete the online modules relevant to the coaching course you have chosen. These must be completed within one month.
7. SLSNSW will contact you when you have completed the online modules to arrange a practical assessment with an Assessor. You cannot participate in the practical assessment if you have not completed all the online modules.
8. If you are wishing to become a Sweep in competition you must complete all the modules and practical assessments before the Sweep Accreditation Checklist. Please contact Denise Lees dlees@surflifesaving.com.au for more information about becoming an accredited Sweep.

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