

Advanced Pathway - Course Information



The Advanced Pathway is for coaches involved with 'Performance' players, otherwise referred to as 'talented' or 'elite'. Courses cover the Skill Acquisition, Game Training and Performance Phases of the FFA National Football Curriculum Building Blocks. To view the 'National Football Curriculum', go to the Resources section of:

http://www.footballaustralia.com.au/getinyolved/coaching/resources

All courses are focused on the FFA Coaching Expertise Model, with appropriate emphasis and extension according to the target candidates.

Coaches need to be proficient in written and spoken English, as well as physically fit to participate in all practical sessions. Full course attendance is required and coaches cannot catch up missed modules. A laptop and internet access is required for all courses. Candidates are recommended to develop proficiency in: using basic computer programs, including Powerpoint/Keynote; editing match movies/DVDs, cutting them into clips, and inserting into presentations; having one's own training sessions filmed, saved on laptop/hard drive and/or uploaded to YouTube, for example.

Accreditation	Target Candidates	Pre-Requisites	Mode of Delivery	Assessment	Pre-Course Tasks	Cost
Senior C Licence (Regional)	Amateur Senior Team and Talented Youth Team (U-18 & older) Coaches	 Minimum age 18 years old It is recommended that candidates complete one or more Community Coaching Courses as ideal preparation for entering the Advanced Pathway 	28 modules, delivered in blocks, plus Practical Assessment. The first 12 modules are generic and apply to both the Youth and Senior C LIcence courses Modules 13-28 are specific to either the Youth or Senior specialisation. Candidates must	 Maximum 3 Practical Coaching Assessments Written Exam Laws of the Game exam Session Planning Task Pre-season Cycle Training Task 	Read: 'The FFA National Football Curriculum' The 'Football Coaching Process' Study Videos (YouTube links).	Senior or Youth - \$ 1,050 + GST Senior and Youth - \$ 1,650 + GST The fee covers three practical assessments. Practical assessments are undertaken post course by the candidate submitting a video of themselves condiuting their chosen football problem . Full details will be provided on-course.
Youth C Licence (Regional)	Coaches of talented players aged 9-17 years.	 Minimum age 18 years old It is recommended that candidates complete one or more Community Coaching Courses as ideal preparation for entering the Advanced Pathway 	attend all course modules. Part-time course. Sessions run in the evenings or weekends. Delivered locally; organised by State Football Federations Available in all capital cities and a small number of other locations Course involves pre-course tasks and 'homework' tasks throughout the course	 Maximum 3 Practical Coaching Assessments Written Exam Laws of the Game exam Session Planning Task Annual planning task 	These resources will be sent to you upon confirmation of your postion on the course.	Candidates holding a higher level FFA qualification, who wish to attend the FFA Youth C Licence will be required to attend the whole course, pay the full course fee and meet all the assessment requirements.

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Senior C Licence (Central)	Amateur Senior Team and Talented Youth Team (U-18 & older) Coaches	 Minimum age 18 years old It is recommended that candidates complete one or more Community Coaching Courses as ideal preparation for entering the Advanced Pathway Preferably Ex-Players and those unable to 	 7-day residential course Full-time. Practical and Theory sessions run during the day and evening, including weekends. Candidates must attend all course modules. Delivered in Canberra or Sydney; organised by FFA The course demands a high 	 Maximum 3 Practical Coaching Assessments 1 Written Exam Laws of the Game exam Session Planning Task Pre-season Training Cycle Task 	Read: 'The FFA National Football Curriculum' The 'Football Coaching Process' Study Videos (YouTube links). These resources will be	\$ 1,820 + GST – Accommodation option Includes course tuition, course workbook, accommodation, 3 daily meals, tracksuit, polo, and bag. \$ 1,200 + GST – Non Accommodation option. Includes course tuition, course workbook, lunches, tracksuit, polo, and bag
Youth C Licence (Central)	Coaches of talented players aged 9-17 years.	access the Regional 'C' Licence in their State	level of pre course preparation as the home study periods in between contacts are not available. The option to attend both the Senior and Youth C License is not available for 'Central' courses, as the courses are run concurrently.	 Maximum 3 Practical Coaching Assessments Written Exam Laws of the Game exam Session Planning Task Annual planning task 	sent to you upon confirmation of your postion on the course.	The fee covers three practical assessments. Practical assessments are undertaken post course by the candidate submitting a video of themselves condiuting their chosen football problem. Full details will be provided on-course. Candidates holding a higher level FFA qualification, who wish to attend the FFA Youth C Licence will be required to attend the whole course, pay the full course fee and meet all the assessment requirements.
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Accreditation B Licence (Central)	Target Candidates Top Amateur Senior Team Coaches and Elite Youth Team Coaches State Team Coaches	Pre-Requisites - 'C' Licence - FFA recommends candidates practice coaching for a minimum of 2 years at a C Licence level in order to gain suitable experience/self- evaluation. However, candidates can apply at any time if they feel their football experience adequately prepares them for the next level.	Mode of Delivery 12-day course Full-time. Practical and Theory session run during the day and evening, including weekends. Candidates must attend all course modules. On-course tasks Conducted by FFA in Canberra or Sydney.	Assessment Maximum 3 Practical Coaching Assessments 1 Written Exam Proof of successful Laws of the Game examination Workbook/Portfolio 3 Cycle Training Task Comprehensive Session Plan designed	Pre-Course Tasks FFA Advanced Coach Portfolio up-to-date Read: 'The FFA National Football Curriculum' The 'Football Coaching Process' These resources will be sent to you upon confirmation of your postion on the course.	\$ 3,520 + GST – Accommodation option Includes course tuition, course workbook, accommodation, 3 daily meals, tracksuit, polo, and bag. \$ 2,200 + GST – Non Accommodation option. Includes course tuition, course workbook, lunches, tracksuit, polo, and bag. The fee covers three practical assessments. Practical assessments are undertaken post course by the candidate submitting a video of themselves condiuting their chosen football problem. Full details will be provided on-course
B Licence (Central)	 Top Amateur Senior Team Coaches and Elite Youth Team Coaches State Team Coaches Target Candidates	'C' Licence FFA recommends candidates practice coaching for a minimum of 2 years at a C Licence level in order to gain suitable experience/self- evaluation. However, candidates can apply at any time if they feel their football experience adequately prepares them for the next level. Pre-Requisites	 12-day course Full-time. Practical and Theory session run during the day and evening, including weekends. Candidates must attend all course modules. On-course tasks Conducted by FFA in Canberra or Sydney. Mode of Delivery	 Maximum 3 Practical Coaching Assessments 1 Written Exam Proof of successful Laws of the Game examination Workbook/Portfolio 3 Cycle Training Task Comprehensive Session Plan designed Assessment	■ FFA Advanced Coach Portfolio up-to-date Read: I 'The FFA National Football Curriculum' I The 'Football Coaching Process' These resources will be sent to you upon confirmation of your postion on the course. Pre-Course Tasks	\$ 3,520 + GST – Accommodation option Includes course tuition, course workbook, accommodation, 3 daily meals, tracksuit, polo, and bag. \$ 2,200 + GST – Non Accommodation option. Includes course tuition, course workbook, lunches, tracksuit, polo, and bag. The fee covers three practical assessments. Practical assessments are undertaken post course by the candidate submitting a video of themselves condiuting their chosen football problem. Full details will be provided on-course
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A Licence Semi-Pro Team Co Institute/ Coaches National League C	hes FFA recommends candidates practice coaching for a minimur of 1 year at a B Licence level in order to gain	 Part 1: 7 day residential component Part 2: 8 day residential component (which includes a 4 day component on Football Conditioning) Candidates must attend all course modules. Delivered by National Technical Staff 	 Maximum of 3 Practical Coaching Assessment to be undertaken after Part 3 On-Course Tasks Distance Learning Assignments Season Planning 	■ FFA Advanced Coach Portfolio up-to-date Read: ■ 'The FFA National Football Curriculum' ■ The 'Football Coaching Process' These documents will be sent to you upon confirmation of your postion on the course. The A Licence course also involves Distance Learning Assignments between Part 1 and Part 2 (approx. 30 hours)	Part 1: Residential - \$ 3070 + GST Includes course tuition, course workbook, accommodation, 3 daily meals, tracksuit, polo, and bag. Non-Residential - \$ 2,300 + GST Includes course tuition, course workbook, lunch, tracksuit, polo, and bag. Part 2: Residential - \$2700 + GST Includes course tuition, course workbook, accommodation, 3 daily meals. Non-Residential - \$ 1900 + GST Includes course tuition, course workbook, lunch, tracksuit, polo, and bag. Practical assessments are undertaken post course by the candidate submitting a video of themselves conducing their chosen football problem. Full details will be provided on-course. For purpose of clarity, please note that candidates that have attained the FFA Football Conditioning License do not need to attend the 4 day Football Conditioning component in part 2. This component of the course is removed from the course fee, which reduces the part 2 fee by \$700.

Dates for Part 2 will be provided well in advance (check FFA website). If candidates are unable to attend Part 2, they can defer until the next available delivery of the missed part. Candidates only have one deferment opportunity. If the candidate does not attend the next available Part 2 component, for whatever reason, the coach's place on the course is lost and a failure is recorded. The coach must start a whole new course from Part 1. No refunds will be given.

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Pro-Diploma	Coaches who wish to	" 'A' Licence	The course is currently under	The course is	The course is currently under	The course is currently under review and the
	be Professional Team	Must meet entry criteria	review and the mode of	currently under	review and the course tasks will	price will be advised after the review
	Coaches, National	(currently under review) • An entrance	delivery will be advised after the review	review and the assessment	be advised after the review	
	Team Coaches and AIS Head Coaches or who	examination is required	the review	requirements will		
	wish to work at the	in some cases		be advised after		
	elite level in football	 Must be working with 		the review		
	in Asia.	or attached to a Senior				
		Team				
	Please note:					
	The next intake will					
	commence in 2017					

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Football Conditioning Licence	The course is aimed at high- level football coaches and Sport Scientists who wish to work in high-level football.	Sports Science Degree	4-day residential course Delivered in Sydney or Canberra	TBA on course	N/A	\$ 1,300 + GST – Accommodation option Includes course tuition, accommodation and 3 daily meals. \$ 800 + GST – Non Accommodation option Includes course tuition and lunch.
Level 1 Goalkeeping Licence	 Top Amateur Team GK Coaches Semi Professional Team GK Coaches (NPL) State Institute/Academy GK Coaches 	 Minimum age 18 years old C Licence Community GK Diploma Must meet entry criteria (points system based on playing and coaching experience) 	 5 day residential course Delivered in Canberra or Tasmania by National Technical Staff (AFC accredited) 	 1 x Practical Coaching Assessments on Course. 1 x written exam 	N/A	\$ 1,300 + GST Practical assessments are undertaken post course by the candidate submitting a video of themselves conducting their chosen football problem . Full details will be provided on-course
Level 2 Goalkeeping Licence	 Top Amateur Team GK Coaches Semi Professional Team GK Coaches State Institute/Academy GK Coaches AIS GK Coach. 	 Minimum age 18 years old C Licence FFA Advanced Level 1 (or UEFA equivalent) – minimum of 12 months 	6 day residential course Delivered in Canberra or Tasmania by National Technical Staff (AFC accredited)	 1 x Practical Coaching Assessments on Course. 1 x written exam Analysis and Presentation DVD Completed On Course Tasks 	 Completed Log Book from Level 1 Completed Written Philosophy of Goalkeeping Completed World Cup Goal Presentation DVD Time to allow for tasks: Approx 10 hours. All attendees (including late enrolments) MUST complete tasks prior to course commencing. These taks will be sent to you upon confirmation of 	\$ 2,500 + GST Includes 6 nights accommodation, 3 daily meals, tracksuit, polo, and bag. Practical assessments are undertaken post course by the candidate submitting a video of themselves conducting their chosen football problem . Full details will be provided on-course

			your attendance on the course	
FFA National Football Curriculum Refresher Course Refresher Course Refresher Course Holders of an FFA B Licence who attended their course prior to 2010 Those who did not attend an FFA B Licence course, but gained the FFA B Licence by conversion of an old FFA Sta Licence Holders of a UEFA B Licence (must have applied for ocerseas qualification recognition with Form 9) Holders of an AFC B Licence (issued by a nation other that Australia) Candidates who may want to attend: Any coach wishing to gain 1 points of revalidation for this FFA Advanced Licence	column. te	4 day residential course Delivered in Canberra or Sydney	Read: 'The FFA National Football Curriculum' The 'Football Coaching Process' These documents will be sent to you upon confirmation of your postion on the course.	\$ 1,035 + GST – Accomodation option Inlcudes course tuition, workbook accommodation and 3 daily meals. \$ 535.00 + GST – Non Accomodation option Includes course tuition, workbook and lunches.

How do I access the Pre-course reading for C and B Licence?

Pre course readings give candidates the appropriate background to prepare for the course itself. Once the candidate is accepted onto the course they will receive an email which will direct them on what precourse reading is required and what work needs to be completed prior to attending the course.

When do I receive the Pre-Course Tasks for the Professional Diploma?

You will receive the tasks after you have enrolled and paid for the course. The tasks will be emailed to you.

When do I receive the Pre-Course Tasks for the Level 2 Goalkeeper Licence?

You will receive the tasks after you have enrolled and paid for the course. The tasks will be emailed to you.

If I enrol late, can I complete the tasks after the course?

No, you need to enrol early enough to give yourself time to complete the Pre-Course Tasks. Those enrolling late will still be expected to undertake and complete all pre course tasks.

What happens if I decide not to attend after enrolling and paying?

FFA's cancellation policy is as follows:

Cancellations after confirmation of your place on the course will be accepted by FFA only in exceptional circumstances and on payment of a cancellation fee as follows:

- a) Within 2 weeks of start date, cancellation fee is equal to full cost of course
- b) 2-4 weeks of start date, cancellation fee is 50% of full cost of course

Cancellation within 2 weeks of start date, where a medical certificate is provided to prove that your injury prevented you from attending even the theory modules of the course, will still incur a cancellation feet that is at the discretion of the FFA and will reflect all reasonable costs associated with your late withdrawal. It will cover all costs that were incurred due to our anticipation of your arrival on course and may still equal the full cost of course as indicated above

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Accommodation rates:

The accommodation rates are set to cover the costs set by the accommodation provider (e.g. Australian Institute of Sport)

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

All communication from FFA to the candidate will be by email. It is the candidate's responsibility to ensure that FFA's Advanced Course Administrator has your current email addresses. Not receiving emails from FFA will not be accepted as a reason for failure to meet any course requirement (including, but not limited to, late submission or failure to submit Pre-Course Tasks, late payment of fees, etc)

Computer Literacy Requirements

Advanced Course participants are expected to be capable of using a computer, which is a valuable tool for the professional coach. The top coach is proficient in:

- Creating documents (Microsoft Word, etc)
- Creating and delivering presentations (Keynote, Powerpoint, etc)
- Video editing / DVD creation / creating match clips
- Using the internet to research into football and keep abreast of developments
- Using a computer to design and store training sessions and match reports

Advanced Pathway courses do not provide training in any of the above. Therefore, serious candidates will access appropriate training or independently develop their skills to a high level prior to attending courses.

NB: All candidates are to bring their own laptop and arrange personal internet access. Please notify us whether you will bring a PC or an Apple computer.

What happens if I fail a part of the course?

Candidates must pass all aspects of assessment in order to gain the accreditation.

PRE-COURSE TASKS AND DISTANCE LEARNING ASSIGNMENTS (PROFESSIONAL DIPLOMA)

- If any Pre-course Tasks or Distance Learning Assignments are deemed unsatisfactory (or not received), candidates may re-submit within three months. If still unsatisfactory (or not received), the candidate fails this part of the course.
- Pre-course Tasks are often the basis for On-Course work, so failure to complete them prior to the course will adversely affect the candidate's on-course tasks.

ON-COURSE TASKS (A Licence and Professional Diploma)

These may be individual or group-based tasks. If deemed unsatisfactory, the individual or all the group members will need to submit a post-course assignment within three months of course conclusion. If still unsatisfactory, the individual candidate fails this part of the course (group members are assessed individually on their post-course assignment)

WRITTEN EXAM (C and B Licence, Level 1 Goalkeeper Licence)

If the candidate fails to gain the pass mark, he/she must discuss with the course instructor regarding further opportunities to undergo the examination until successful. Failure to do so will result in the candidate failing this part of the course.

PRACTICAL COACHING ASSESSMENTS

- On all FFA courses, the candidate has unlimited attempts (including any conducted on-course) to be deemed 'competent' within a two year period. However, the first attempt must be received within 6 months of the conclusion of the course. All assessments must take place within 2 years of the course (year) date, except in exceptional circumstances.
- OVERSEAS PRO LICENCE CANDIDATES. Coaches on the FFA courses can only be assessed in Australia. If a Practical Coaching re-assessment is required, this must be organized by the candidate with a suitable club in Australia. Coaches may apply to be assessed in their own country subject to full payment of all costs associated with the Assessor's visit, and AFC/Member Association approval.

Licence Revalidation

FFA Advanced Coaching Revalidations are valid for 4 consecutive years, dated from the year of the last part of the course you attended. In order to revalidate their Advanced Licence beyond the 4-year period, coaches are required to gain 100 points in the 4-year period of validity. Visit www.footballaustralia.com.au/coaching for more information on the reaccreditation process.