

The Advanced Coach accreditation is ideally suited to coaches who STA's believe will provide valuable coaching experience to the STA at a premier league club, development squad, zone/group/district and state level. This may include coaches who are currently coaching at a zone/group/district level, state junior coaches, state assistant coaches, premier level pennant clubs and development squad coaches.

The Advanced Coach accreditation comprises of best practice material taken from the Australian Sports Commission's Intermediate General Principles and re-designed to specifically meet the needs of bowls coaches. The content can be split into two sections: coach preparation and player preparation. Knowing your own coaching style, coaching philosophy, how to plan your program and how to teach, observe and provide feedback to your players are all key components throughout coach preparation. Player preparation covers how players acquire skills, how to analyse movement, the principles of physiology and working with a player's mental ability. The course is conducted face to face over four days with topics delivered by experts in their field.

The prerequisites for the course are:

1. The coach must be currently in a position or currently seeking a position within the recognised state system (i.e. currently coaching or seeking a position which is either a zone/group/district level coach, state junior coach, state assistant coach, premier level pennant club and/or a development squad coach)
2. Endorsement from your STA to attempt the accreditation (see below)
3. Current personal email address
4. Mobile phone with SMS capabilities
5. Access to a video camera
6. Current Club Coach accreditation and attendance at the Competition and Selection Modules
7. Current blue card/working with children check. This is state/territory specific. Please check with your Department of Justice (or equivalent) to ensure you can meet all the requirements.
8. Current First Aid certificate. Minimum certificate requirement is course code: HLTF301C – Apply First Aid. Providers of First Aid certificates conduct this course under different titles, e.g. HLTF301C is covered under St John's Ambulance's 'Apply First Aid Course' and Red Cross's 'Senior First Aid Course.' Please check with your chosen provider to ensure you are completing the HLTF301C course
9. Up to date with ASADA Anti-Doping Policies