

REFEREE & REFEREE COACH EDUCATION & DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINE

Purpose This guideline summarises the support SA Country Basketball Regional Referee Coordinators (RRC) will provide Associations with Referee and Referee Coach education and development.

Aim To facilitate the education and development of local and/or regional Referee Coaches to deliver and accredit Referee education courses and develop Referees.

Regional Referee Coordinator (RRC)

The RRC role will provide continuous support, advice and encouragement to Referee Coaches Instructors (RCI) within an association. The key focus is to assist the Referee Coach Instructors (as identified by RRC and the association/s) to identify, recruit, educate and develop Referees.

Four RRC's have been appointed for a period of two years:

- RRC Peninsula (Port Lincoln, Whyalla, Port Augusta, Port Pirie, Yorke Valley, Southern Yorke)
- RRC North (Adelaide Plains, Clare, Roxby, Broken Hill, Gilbert Valley, Crystal Brook, Jamestown)
- RRC Central (Eastern Hills, Strathalbyn, Willunga, KI, Great Southern, Barossa Valley)
- RRC East (Mallee, Murray Bridge, Riverland, Bordertown, Mt Gambier, Keith, Millicent, Naracoorte)

The RRC's areas are not mutually exclusive as they will need to assist each other when time and travel permits during the initial stages.

Referee Coach/Instructor (RCI)

An RCI can deliver and accredit Trainee and Association Referee accreditation courses and develop Referees.

Identifying RCI's

Potential RCI's must meet the following criteria to be eligible to receive the RCI education and development:

- Knowledge of Basketball rules
- Referee experience
- Experience in Referee development
- Excellent communication, facilitation and assessor skills
- Established role, responsibilities and working relationships within an Association an advantage
- Valid DCSI clearance

Associations will be asked to assist the RRC to identify a potential RCI for local and/or regional education course delivery and development.

Based on the above criteria, the RRC will determine who is eligible to receive the RCI education and development and approach them with the Associations assistance to complete the formal requirements and accreditation.

Completion of RCI requirements

Once the RCI has completed the formal requirements they will be an accredited as an SA Country Basketball RCI. The accreditation allows them to deliver and accredit SA Country Basketball Referee Trainee and Association courses locally and regionally. To retain their accreditation, the RCI must deliver at least two Referee education course every 12 months.

If a potential RCI cannot be identified or utilised from another region in the immediate future, during the process of building and sustaining capacity, the RRC may deliver and accredit Referee education and development with the support of the Association.

Education and development fees

If a local or regional RCI delivers, accredits and develops Referees with the support of the RRC there will be no fee.

If an RRC is required to travel deliver, accredit and develop Referees there will be a fee of \$200 incurred by the Association. It is in the Association's best interest to identify a potential RCI for the RRC to educate and develop to reduce the fee and ensure capacity and sustainability for the future.

The RRC may use digital technology to assist in delivering education and development for Referees, at their discretion.

Quality assurance

There are formal requirements for facilitation, delivery, assessment and accreditation of Referee education courses. This is to ensure quality and consistency is maintained in accordance with current practice.

RRC's are responsible for entering the course details in the BSA Officials database and circulating the registration link to RCI's and/or Referees to attend. RRC's should allow a sufficient notice period to facilitate maximum attendance at a course.

The course must have a minimum of 10 participants registered within 7 days prior to course date to progress with the course. RCI's must conduct at least two course every 12 months to retain their RCI accreditation.

Course administration

RCI's must plan, administer and conduct the course, in consultation with the RRC:

- Determine course details
- Liaise with RRC to establish the course registration link, circulate
- Reserve a suitable room (if required) or a Zoom Meeting time
- Promote and advertise either locally and/or regionally
- Conduct course, note attendance
- Circulate assessment link post course to attendees (if required)
- Advise attendees of assessment results
- Send confirmation of formal accreditation post course

RRC must:

- Provide access to course content to RCI's
- Monitor registrations, update and confirm with RCI pre course
- Establish an assessment link for circulation post course
- Review, advise and confirm assessment results with RCI
- Request invoice and payment for course if applicable via SA Country Basketball

Location suitability

- Meeting room with enough lighting and space, classroom setup
- Ensure no other events are on at time of the course
- Easy access and parking
- Access to drinks and bathrooms

Feedback and follow up

- To ensure quality of courses and the accreditations, surveys will be sent out after the course have been conducted via Survey Monkey to attendees
- RRC may attend course/s of RCI's to provide feedback and to ensure the content being delivered maintains quality and consistency
 - Follow Referee/RCI Development Process model
 - RRC to deliver, RCI to observe
 - RRC and RCI to co-deliver
 - RCI to deliver
 - RRC to assess if RCI is suitable to deliver and accredit or develop an action plan with the RCI reflecting their stage in the above process that may need repeating
 - RRC will need to review accredited RCI's delivery of course/s randomly to maintain quality assurance

Quarterly reports will indicate courses and development opportunities conducted and planned for this period.