

# FACTSHEET

## UPDATING COACH ACCREDITATION

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Softball Australia requires all accredited coaches to participate in a variety of education activities to maintain their accreditation status.

### WHY UPDATE?

- Ensures accredited coaches keep up-to-date with current coaching techniques and methods
- Ensures accredited coaches stay abreast of rule changes
- Plays an important role in ensuring that the training and playing environments are safe for all participants
- Reduces the likelihood of litigation

### HOW TO USE YOUR ACTIVITY SHEETS

It is important that you keep the details of all practical involvement, and attendance at approved courses and seminars, which will contribute to your re-accreditation. When you attend an approved updating activity you should complete the [Coaching Updating Activity Sheet](#) and obtain the coordinator's signature and/or an official stamp of the organising body.

### UPDATING GUIDELINES

- Coaches can update their accreditation by completing the next level of accreditation OR achieving a total of 100 points over four years (see table for updating points and activities)
- Levels 4-6 coaches must achieve a maximum of 25 points per year and a minimum of 20 in each category
- Coaches must use the [Coaching Updating Activity Sheet](#) to validate their updating activities
- When updating is complete, the coach must forward the Coaching Updating Activity Sheet and the registration fee to their state
- Coaches must sign the Softball Australia [Coaches Code of Conduct](#)
- New updating requirement commence immediately re-registration is received

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

If updating requirements are not completed within six years, you must repeat the accreditation course. Coaches who do not complete updating by the due date must achieve 100 points and an additional 25 points for each year beyond expiry. Additional points must be achieved in coaching principles and/or softball specific.



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### POINTS TO UPDATE LEVELS 1-3

Complete the next level of accreditation 100

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#### Coaching practice

State-appointed Head Coach	25
Assistant Coach Supervisor/Mentor	25
Assessor (accreditation candidates)	25
Competency assessment (Levels 1-5)	25
Lecture at clinics	25
Complete updating course/module	25
Submit approved updating material	25

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#### Coaching principles

Complete ASC Community Coaching General Principles	25
Attend sport-related seminars	25
Complete one sport-related tertiary unit	25
Lecture at coaching principles seminar	25

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#### Softball specific

Attend softball seminars/clinics (umpire course, rules seminars etc)	25
Lecture at softball coaches courses	25
Submit an article for Softball Australia	25

### POINTS TO UPDATE LEVELS 4-6

Complete the next level of accreditation 100

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#### Coaching practice

State-appointed Head Coach	20
Assistant Coach Supervisor/Mentor	10
Assessor (accreditation candidates)	25
Competency assessment (Levels 1-5)	25
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Complete specific modules of ASC Intermediate	
Coaching General	25
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For further enquiries, contact your [state office](#).