

Memorandum

TO: STATE MANAGERS, COACHING VOLUNTEERS
FROM: TARA STEEL – SPORT RESOURCES MANAGER
SUBJECT: COACH ACCREDITATION FRAMEWORK UPDATE 2014
DATE: 18 DECEMBER 2013
CC: MARIANNE MAGUIRE – GENERAL MANAGER SPORT OPERATIONS

Overview

Touch Football Australia (TFA) have recently undertaken a review of our coach courses and link to our athlete development pathway and game resources.

With the introduction of the Australian Institute of Sport (AIS) **FTEM** framework of athlete development www.ausport.gov.au/ftem TFA are looking to align to this framework in both our coach and athlete development programs. The need for this alignment became apparent throughout the consultation with key stakeholders and coaching volunteers throughout the Level 1 Course Review and subsequent release of the Foundation Coach Course. The TFA Athlete Development Framework has been previously circulated for feedback, was publically released in August, followed by the Foundation Coaching Course in alignment in September.

This document contains several sections to provide information to State offices, and appointed coaching volunteers regarding the proposed changes, the intent of the updated framework and implementation timelines.

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The process for individual course review has commenced and as this is undertaken further information will be updated and provided in due course.

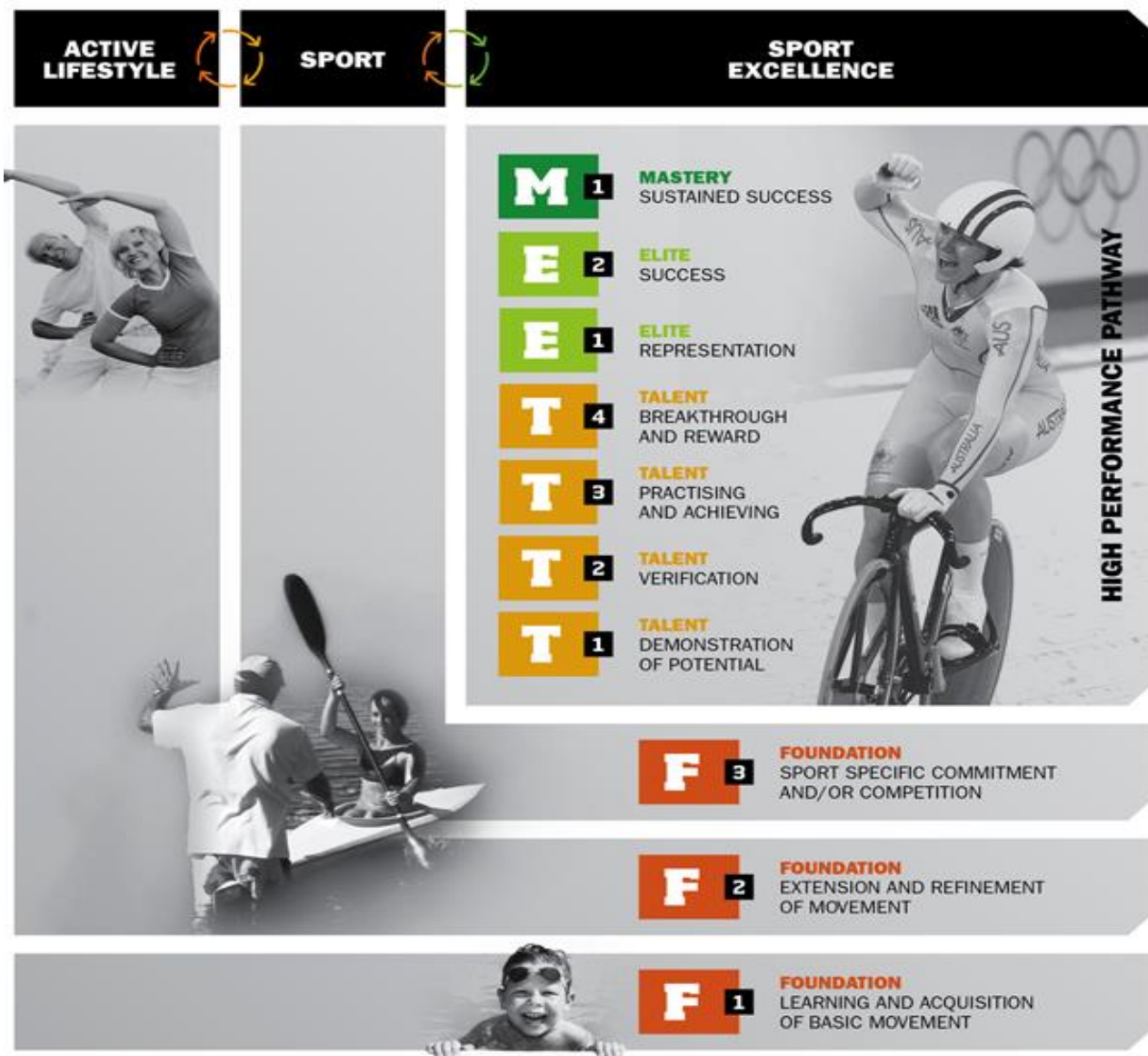
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1. What is FTEM?

FTEM (representing Foundation, Talent, Elite and Mastery) is a user-friendly framework of sporting development that is representative of the 'whole of sport' pathway continuum. It integrates three key outcomes of sport participation: active lifestyle, sport participation and sport excellence.



2. FTEM and Touch Football

As an overview the table below applies the FTEM model to the various pathway levels of Touch Football. Coaches play a very important role in the development and experience encountered by athletes, whether that is the progression of the pathway from Foundation to Talent and beyond, or retention at an affiliate competition for a lifetime of enjoying our great sport.

ATHLETE	JUNIORS/INTRODUCTION 5 - 12 YEARS	YOUTH/DEVELOPMENT 13 - 20 YEARS	ADULT 21 + YEARS
MASTERY SUSTAINED SUCCESS		YOUTH TRANS-TASMAN	WORLD CUP
			TRANS TASMAN
			ELITE 8
			STATE OF ORIGIN
ELITE REPRESENTATION AND SUCCESS		NATIONAL TOUCH LEAGUE	NATIONAL TOUCH LEAGUE
		NATIONAL YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS	STATE TOURNAMENTS
TALENT PRACTICE AND ACHIEVEMENT	SCHOOL SPORT NATIONALS 12'S	SCHOOL SPORT NATIONALS 15'S	REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS
	STATE/REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS	STATE/REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS	
FOUNDATION PARTICIPATION/SOCIAL	AFFILIATE AND SCHOOL GALA DAYS	JUNIOR AFFILIATE COMPETITIONS	AFFILIATE COMPETITIONS
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	AUSTOUCH PROGRAM	SCHOOL COMPETITIONS	
	SCHOOL CLINICS		
	PHYSICAL EDUCATION SCHOOL CURRICULUM		

3. TFA Coach Accreditation

The current model of Coach Accreditation system sees Level 1, 2 and 3 as the accreditation levels. A Community Coaching and AusTouch Leader qualification also exists, but is not a compulsory coaching qualification, and somewhat sits as an introduction to the pathway. Over a period of time there has been feedback from stakeholders regarding the need to review the course content at all levels to update currency to reflect changes in the current game. In addition the method and in course time for delivery has been identified as a barrier for coaches to complete accreditation. This review process commenced with the Level 1 Coach Course update which has coincided with the release of the FTEM model.

Following this review process, it is now proposed that changes occur to the coach accreditation system, and curriculums, to match the FTEM model and development pathway of our athletes.



The Foundation Coach Course has been released and underwent a trial period through to November. The drafting of the Talent, Elite and Mastery education programs is currently underway. It is anticipated the Talent and Elite courses will be trialled from the early 2014 period.

The introduction of a Mastery level has been identified through both consultation with the ASC and review of our Coach Accreditation, and High Performance requirements. The content outline for this is currently being drafted. It is envisaged this would be delivered in a program format over a longer period of 9-12 months with the first intake will occur in 2014. This program would enhance the previous information provided for the 'level 3' accreditation in the pathway, and the content would also reflect this.

More information on all proposed Course curriculum details are listed in the document.

In addition to the course curriculum processes TFA are also re-instigating more coach development opportunities from 2014. This will include the opportunity for Webinar and Workshop series targeted and each level and the continual build of resources for coaches via the www.dartfish.tv platform.

4. Proposed Course Details Summary

Coach Course Name	Duration (approx)	Target Group
Foundation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASC Beginning Principles Online & • 7 Hours (one day) in course workshop 	Affiliate Coaches, Junior Coaches, School Teachers
Talent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7 Hours in course workshop 	Junior Representative Coaches, Regional Junior and Senior Level Representative Coaches.
Elite	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASC General Intermediate Principles • 8 Hours in course 	National Youth Championship Coaches, National Touch League Coaches.
Mastery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As required, program ongoing over approx. 12 months 	High quality Elite Coaches – potential to Coach Australian Open Teams.

5. Proposed Course Entry Pre-requisites:

Coach Course Name	Pre-requisites
Foundation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASC Beginning Coaching General Principles Online
Talent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of TFA Foundation Coaching Course
Elite	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coaches must have had at least one (1) year/season coaching experience after completion of a Talent Coaching Course • ASC Intermediate Coaching General Principles

Mastery	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coaches must have had at least two (2) years/season's Elite coaching experience after completion of an Elite Coaching Course.• Demonstrate high level capability and suitability against competency standards for selection and entry into the program.
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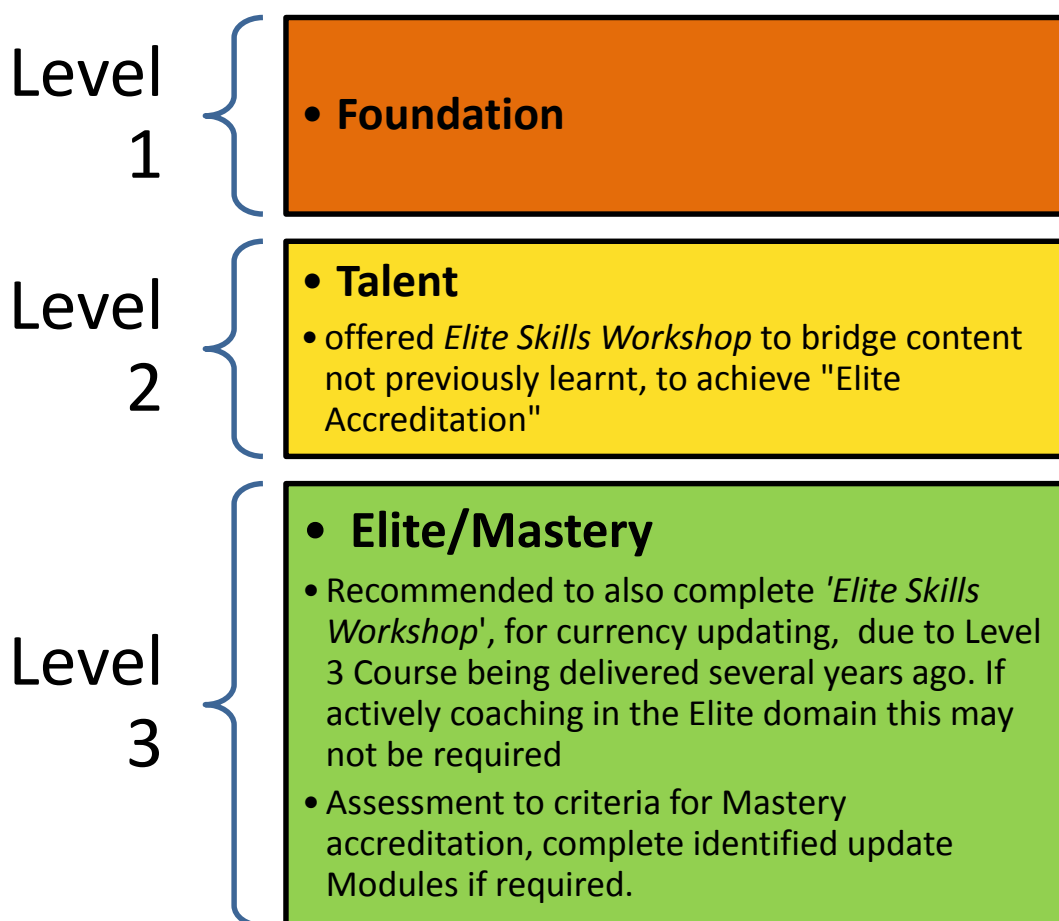
6. TFA Coach Accreditation Framework 2014 – Draft Modules

Module	Foundation	Talent	Elite	Mastery
1.	Coaching Processes	Coaching Processes	<i>The Essence of Coaching</i>	Sport Science (Biomechanics, Nutrition, Physiology, Conditioning).
2.	Foundation Movement Skills	Talent Movement skills	<i>Program Management</i>	Sport Psychology (mastery)
3.	Foundation Ball Skills	Talent Ball Skills	<i>Planning</i>	Sports Medicine & Recovery
4.	Foundation Rollball & Rucking Skills	Talent Rollball and Rucking Skills	<i>Sports Safety</i>	Media & Marketing
5.	Foundation Attack Skills	Talent Attack Skills	<i>Coaching Processes</i>	Planning 2-4 Year
6.	Foundation Defence Skills	Talent Defence Skills	<i>Inclusive Coaching</i>	Leadership
7.	Foundation Game Concepts & Strategies	Talent Game Concepts & Strategies	<i>Skill Acquisition</i>	Communication
8.	Planning for Coaching	Athletic Performance	<i>Intro to Physiology</i>	Mastery Individual Skills
9.		Competition Coaching	<i>Basic Anatomy and biomechanics</i>	Mastery Movement Skills
10.		Development of Game Plan	<i>Development and Maturation</i>	Mastery Ball Skills
11.		Team Dynamics	<i>Nutrition for sport</i>	Mastery Rollball and Rucking skills
12.		Athlete Management, Talent Identification & Selection	<i>Sport Psychology</i>	Mastery Attack Skills
13.			<i>Anti-Doping in Sport</i>	Mastery Defence Skills
14.			Elite Movement Skills	Mastery Game Concepts & Strategies
15.			Elite Ball Skills	Mastery Game Analysis
16.			Elite Rollball and Rucking skills	Mastery Coach Intervention
17.			Elite Attack Skills	Innovation
18.			Elite Defence Skills	
19.			Elite Game Concepts & Strategies	
20.			Elite Game Analysis	
21.			Coach Intervention	
22.			Mentoring	
Colour Key	Re-written for Level 1 (Foundation) Course update 2013	In current (2012) Level 2 Course, minor update required	<i>Intermediate General Principles Course – via workbook: (former Level 2 Course also)</i>	To be reviewed and/or developed

7. Accreditation Mapping

Current

2014 Model



Level 1 > Foundation

Participants who completed a Level 1 Coach Course Pre 2013 would be recognised as a Foundation Coach in the new accreditation system.

Level 2 > Talent

With the Implementation of a new frameworks for current Level 2 qualified participants, they would be recognised as a Level 2, and we would offer a 'Bridging' workshop to achieve Level 3 – that being for Modules 14-22 listed in the table above.

Level 3 >Elite/Mastery

Previously accredited Level 3 Coaches would be accredited as Elite Coaches, however given the time frame in which a Level 3 Course has been run within the sport, and the changing of Elite level requirements, would also be suggested and offered they attend a 'Bridging' Workshop or complete individual modules to update their skills – modules required would be assessed to the individual.