



Position Description

Touch Football Australia National Team Head Coach

Touch Football Australia (TFA) is the national governing body for the sport. TFA provides leadership to state organisations, drives participation and high-performance outcomes, and ensures the integrity and sustainability of the sport nationally and internationally.

TFA manages elite programs and teams across a range of international events, including Opens, Youth, and Masters Test Series, as well as World Cup championships, where Australia is recognised as a leading nation in the sport.

The following position is voluntary.

Purpose of Role

- Assist in the implementation and delivery of High Performance (HP) outcomes within the TFA High Performance program.
- Actively promote the HP values & culture.
- Conduct talent identification and national squad/team selections with TFA High Performance personnel.
- Assist in the appointment process of relevant support staff.
- To lead the planning, preparation and coaching of the squad/team.
- Demonstrate effective leadership and be a mentor for the squad/team.
- Plan for and provide the highest possible standards in delivering training camps and any specified tours – including active planning, good communication, setting culture, managing player load and risk management requirements.
- Ensure athlete's physical requirements to perform at their best are a top priority.
- Ensure evaluation processes are effectively implemented and continuous improvement is always sort.
- Look for opportunities for program innovation to deliver results on the field through use of technology and/or sports science.

Principal Duties

- Identify and select national squad/team members in collaboration with TFA High-Performance personnel and independent selectors.



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- To lead the development of all current squad members.
- Prepare individuals and the team for their best possible performance for the duration of their campaign.
- Develop a positive and inclusive team culture and supportive team management.
- Undertake the lead role in planning and delivery of the technical and tactical components of the game.
- Act as the first point of contact to the players for on-field matters.
- Monitor and evaluate individual player and team performance.
- Liaise with the medical staff to ensure optimal player development and performance.
- Maintain open lines of communication with players, staff and medical personnel.
- Undertake player reviews (during and post program).

Expectations/Tasks

- Provide comprehensive selection notes on all squad/team player selections.
- Arrive at all sessions/games at the appropriate time.
- Lead the delivery of tactical and technical sessions and components of sessions.
- Set up assigned drills/stations prior to training start time.
- Where requested, email or provide a copy of the training plan to relevant TFA staff and HP personnel prior to training/camps.
- Lead the pre-game preview and post-game review.
- Lead the selection of squad/team members and the playing members for each competition/match.
- Exhibit an athlete centred approach throughout the campaign.
- Provide feedback to players in the squad.
- Implement game day warm-up and recovery sessions aligned to the approved TFA practices.
- Deliver game day messages.
- Compile an end of tournament/competition report.

Line Management

- Work with the High Performance & Pathways Manager, other relevant TFA staff and HP personnel to effectively deliver the outcomes of the HP program and best support all athlete squad and player members.
- Ensure that there are professional and effective methods of positive communication between all players, TFA staff and HP personnel.





Essential Criteria

Applicants must demonstrate:

- Minimum Talent Coach qualification within TFA Sport Education Framework
- A holistic approach to coaching within the TFA High Performance program.
- Proven ability to deliver high-quality technical and tactical plans for elite competition.
- Strong communication skills with athletes and staff.
- Understanding of the characteristics, needs, and development of athletes in elite pathways.
- A positive, resilient attitude, capable of achieving results in challenging environments.
- Commitment to professional behaviour, cultural respect, and athlete wellbeing.

Desirable Criteria

It is beneficial for applicants to have:

- Previous experience within a TFA HP program or similar elite sporting environment.
- Familiarity with TFA policy, pathways, and performance frameworks.
- Experience in delivering camps, tours, and high-performance environments.
- Skills in analysis, scouting, or performance review systems.
- Experience contributing to team culture, leadership development, or athlete welfare initiatives.

Standards of Behaviour and Responsibilities

- Good organisational and time management skills.
- Ability to work in a team and multi-skill environment.
- Self-motivated and an ability to motivate others.
- Professional appearance appropriate to the relevant environment.
- Commitment to upholding TFA's values – United, Inclusive, Integrity, and Excellence – in all aspects of conduct and performance.
- Adherence to the TFA Code of Conduct, Member Protection Policy, and Anti-Doping Policy, all of which are available on the TFA website.

Term of Appointment

Appointed for the duration of a defined selection cycle or as determined by TFA's Australian Emus National Coach and Manager Appointment Policy.

Remuneration

Voluntary (reimbursement of approved expenses, if applicable).





Location

As required by the High Performance and Pathways Program schedule.

Review and Performance in Role

Feedback and support will be provided by the National Opens Head Coaches, GM Growth and Innovation, and the High Performance & Pathways Manager throughout the selection process.

Acknowledgement and Sign Off

Name	Position	Signature	Date
	National Team Head Coach		
	High Performance & Pathways Manager		
	GM Growth & Innovation		
	Chief Executive Officer		

