

# World Squash COACHING

WSC

## Abbreviations:

<b>PM:</b>	<i>WSC Programme Manager</i>
<b>WSCP:</b>	<i>WSC Panel</i>
<b>CT:</b>	<i>WSC Certified Tutor</i>
<b>RPL:</b>	<i>Recognition of prior learning</i>
<b>CCM:</b>	<i>WSC Continental Course Manager</i>
<b>SPIN:</b>	<i>Squash Personal Identification Number</i>

## A Preamble

*World Squash Coaching (WSC)*, is the new name for the *WSF Coach education Programme*. In conjunction with the regions and member nations, it provides a unified and standardised coaching structure that:

1. Ensures, all courses delivered by nations in conjunction with/by regions include agreed core-content and delivery method so that standards are uniform and qualifications are recognised not only in their own nation but worldwide too.
2. Introduces standards where certified courses are not used.
3. Expands the number of coaches who can help nations progress from development to elite performance of the sport and concurrently enlarge the playing population.
4. Improves the quality and general availability of training resources.
5. Ensures that all WSC Tutors are registered as WSC Certified at the appropriate level.
6. Provides a worldwide directory of WSC Certified Coaches and Tutors.
7. Ensures a robust, modern, uniform and transportable coaching system worldwide.

## B Implementation

WSC has finished developing syllabi and resources for Levels -1, 2 and 3 courses. Tutors for all levels have been trained and course at all levels have successfully been implemented worldwide.

## C Registration process

The CCMs register all certified courses. Only courses that are authorised by Regions can be certified.

Candidates wishing to take a WSC Certified Coaching Course would need to have a Coach Registration (for which a current SPIN is required)

Upon registration, candidates would have no designation or public listing. Their name will appear on the Directory of WSC Certified Coaches and Tutors on the WSF website, only when they pass a WSC Certified Course at a level to become a Certified Coach, or become a Certified Tutor.

On successful completion of a WSF certified course, the CCM uploads course results so that names are listed on the WSC Directory and a certificate will be emailed to the person.

WSC does not charge a fee for course registration.

## **D World Squash Coaching Panel (WSCP)**

The WSCP determines course Registration/Certification, RPL and other general specialist decisions required, in conjunction with the PM.

WSCP also determines policy on acceptable recognition/RPL/current designations in respect to giving Levels to coaches/Tutors where this is uncertain during the initial transition period.

## **E Categories and Fees**

The Coach SPIN registration categories and fees are as follows:

- Level-1 Coach Candidate - £16
- Level-2 Coach Candidate - £25 additional payment\*
- Level-3 Coach Candidate - £50 additional payment\*

~~Level-1 National Tutor~~ (this category will be phased out; starting now no new L1 Nat Tutors will be appointed; current L1 Nat Tutors will be upgraded as soon as they deliver their next course)

WSC Level-1 Tutor

WSC Level-2 Tutor

WSC Level-3 Tutor

\*This payment is made in advance of the course as only those at the correct level can attend a course (so there will be no post-course payment and anybody who fails would be able to re-take the course within the three year period that their payment has covered).

There are no additional payments for Tutor qualifications.

All Coach Candidate registrations lapse after three years if no qualification is secured. If a Level-1 qualification is achieved during the three year period the Coach Registration is subject to renewal after three years of the date of qualification. Where a coach achieves a higher level, these also have three year periods from the date of upgrade and are subject to additional fees, together with the completion of any required evidence of activity/refreshers that the WSCP decides.

Renewal reminders for coaches would be automatically generated one month before the end of the three year period. Lapsed memberships that are subsequently reactivated could attract a £20 re-registration fee in addition to the three-year payment.

Renewal of a Level 3 qualification will require the coach to provide evidence of his coaching activity and additionally requires endorsement by his National Federation or Region.

Tutor qualifications to be renewed every three years by the WSCP, but require evidence of activity.

Where a membership has lapsed for more than 12 months, the level of subsequent renewal would be at the discretion of the WSCP.

All upgrades of coaches and tutors need endorsement of the region for approval by the PM. In case of uncertainty the final decision lies with the WSCP (see section D).

## F WSC QUALIFICATIONS

### Coaching Courses

Coaches	Requirements	Qualified by:	Course endorsed by:
Foundation	None	eLearning	WSC/SquashSkills
WSC Level-1	17 years, basic demonstration skills	WSC L1/L2/L3 Tutor	Region
WSC Level-2	WSC L1 or other accepted RPL*, minimum one year** between L1 and L2	WSC L2/L3 Tutor	Region
WSC Level-3	WSC L2 or other accepted RPL, minimum one year* between L2 and L3	WSC L3 Tutor	Region and WSC

\* Short track for PSA players (19 years minimum age)– they can go straight to L2 after doing the Foundation Course

\*\*dispensation possible with WSCP approval

### Refresher Courses (short-track for candidates holding other equivalent national/regional qualifications)

WSC Level 1	Attend regular L1 course without practical assessment
WSC Level 2	Regular L2 Course with practical assessment but without post-course assignment
WSC Level 3	Regular L3 Course with practical assessment but without post-course assignment

Tutors			Candidates endorsed by:
WSC L1 Tutor	Minimum L2 Coach, 3 years coaching experience	Shadow a L1 Course and mentoring by WSC Tutor Assessor** for next course	Member Nation and Region
WSC L2 Tutor	3 years experience* as WSC L1 Tutor, L3 coach	Shadow a L2 Course and mentoring by WSC Tutor Assessor** for next course	Region
WSC L3 Tutor	3 years experience as WSC L2 Tutor, experience coaching at national team or professional level	Shadow a L3 Course and mentoring by WSC Tutor Assessor** for next course	Region and WSC

Tutors holding an equivalent national/regional tutor qualification can be short-tracked to become a WSC Tutor at the discretion of the WSCP by shadowing a course or attending a tutor workshop.

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\*\* WSC Tutor Assessor is a WSC Level 3 Coach and WSC Tutor one level higher than the level he/she is assessing (except L3). The WSC Tutor Assessor shall be appointed by the WSCP. A list of current active assessors is available on request.

## **G Numbers of participants, tutors and courts**

Level 1: One tutor with a minimum of 4 and maximum of 12 participants; with second tutor if more than 12 (minimum duration four days).

Level 2: One tutor plus a second tutor at least for the assessments with a minimum of 6 and maximum of 12 participants with additional tutor if more than 12 (minimum duration four days).

Level 3: Two tutors plus specialist presenters with a minimum of 6 and a maximum of 12 participants with an additional assessor if more than 12 (minimum duration six days)

The maximum number of participants shall be determined by the number of available courts (max. 5 candidates per court) and tutors/assessors (up to 12 candidates for L1 and 6 candidates per tutor for L2 and L3)

Exceeding the maximum numbers of participants requires the approval of the WSCP.

## **H Distance and eLearning**

Whilst onsite courses are the preferred method of delivering the WSC programme, there may be circumstances where travel is restricted and therefore parts of the courses can be delivered alternatively.

Level 1: Introduction and knowledge/understanding can be delivered by eLearning (Foundation Course). The practical assessments must be done onsite by the course tutor.

Level 2: The course must be delivered onsite by one tutor but the second tutor can assess off-site via video.

All courses utilizing distance and eLearning require the approval of the WSCP.