



Coach Registration and Accreditation – National Rugby League Policy

Registration: All coaches are required to register to the team they are coaching for on an annual basis. This is no different to players being registered to a team prior to playing in any given Junior or Senior League competition. Please be aware that coach registration is different to coach accreditation; accreditation refers to the coach's level of competency and completion of relevant educational courses, whereas registration refers to the coach's commitment and responsibility to a particular team.

Accreditation: This requirement is the responsibility of all Leagues and Clubs to ensure that all coaches are adequately trained and **Qualified** to coach children, adolescents and young adults under their care. In order to ensure that each respective party is covered by insurance, and to comply with the National Rugby League and Australian Sports Commission's Policies, coaches are required to meet minimum standards in terms of education and background checks. It is critical that all this information is recorded on the National Rugby League Database.

It's a **MANDATORY NRL Policy / Requirement** that all Coaches, Managers, Sports trainers and Team members are assigned to the teams. Note all must be registered on data base first. Coach by **self-registering** completing your Club Coach Registration form and all others under Volunteers. Ensure all are registered as per their correct full names not nicknames or preferred names.

The NSWRL have adopted the below directive:

All Teams competing in NSWRL competitions must be compliant with the above **NRL Policy by the 30th April of the current season**. Each team must have a Coach who is **REGISTERED, ASSIGNED TO A TEAM & CURRENTLY ACCREDITED** or **they will be unable to participate in the / any weekend's matches as per NSWRL Policy**.

Summary:

- 1. All Coaches - Must be self-registered as a Coach to the Club***
- 2. All Coaches - Must be assigned to the team they are Coaching***
- 3. It is Compulsory that all Coaches have completed the relevant National Coach Accreditation Course that directly relates to the Age Division they are coaching***
- 4. Coaches - Must hold Current Accreditation to be eligible to Coach in the upcoming season***

EXEMPTIONS:

The only Coaches (Not Fully or Currently Accredited) who will be permitted to continue Coaching a Team in the interim are those who can validate that they have registered as a coach for the current season, have registered to an upcoming NRL coaching course and have completed the On-Line modules, they are only waiting to attend a scheduled NRL Coach Education Face to Face session.

The above would need to be verified with the Club's Respective NSWRL Club & Competitions Coordinator and their local League prior to a weekend/s competition matches.