

Tennis Australia

Trainee

Coaching Course

VIC-MELBOURNEPARK-FEBRUARY

Applications close: 2 February 2026

Course cost: \$295.00 (Inc. GST)

Course Information

TENNIS AUSTRALIA TRAINEE COACHING COURSE

Course Details

The Tennis Australia Trainee Coaching Course will be delivered on:

Thursday 19 February 2026, 12:00pm to 1:00pm – Online learning session via virtual classroom

Saturday 21 & Sunday 22 February 2026, 9:00am to 3:00pm – On-court session at Tennis World Melbourne Park
(3 days, 100% attendance is required)

The venue for this course will be:

Tennis World Melbourne Park, Olympic Boulevard, Melbourne VIC 3001

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Course Coordinator

The course coordinator is available to answer all applicant questions about the course, including; enrolment, screening, payments, on and off court content, and future course opportunities. The course coordinator is:

Tennis Australia

David Laird

Coach Education Specialist

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Trainee Coaching Course Learning Outcomes

A great way to start your coaching journey, the Trainee Coaching Course is suitable for those who would like to begin coaching Tennis, or who are currently coaching, under the guidance of a qualified Tennis coach. This course trains coaches to develop the skills of junior tennis players with a focus on the Hot Shots Tennis program.

The majority of time during the course is spent on-court with participants actively learning to deliver coaching sessions where players serve, rally and score using modified balls, racquets, nets and courts appropriate to the developmental needs of junior players.

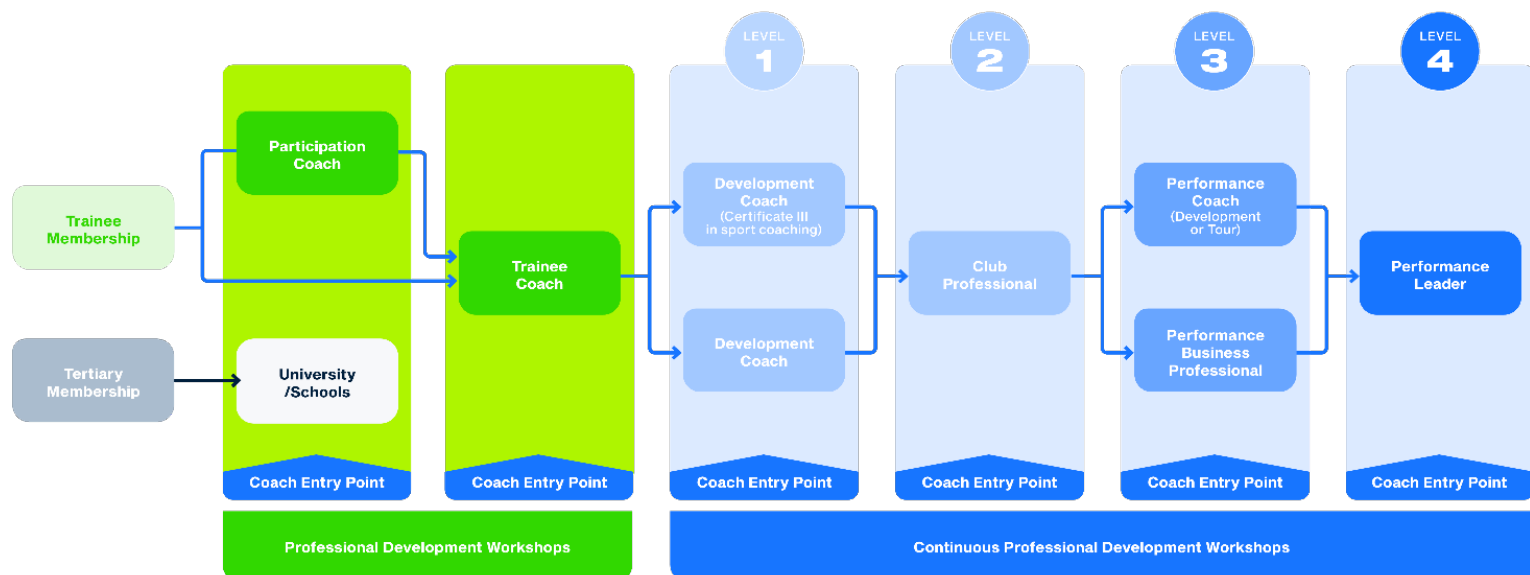
- Update your knowledge of the Hot Shots Tennis program.
- Prepare you to conduct Hot Shots Tennis activities.
- Introduce you to basic coaching methodology.
- Conduct safe tennis activities for junior players.
- Use the Tennis Australia Coach Premium App.
- Introduce you to the role and responsibilities of a Tennis coach.

The course is scheduled over:

1. A 1-hour online learning session via your laptop, tablet or mobile device
2. An online self-paced Safeguarding Children course via our online learning platform Bounce
3. Two 6-hour on-court days.

After completion of the; online learning session, the Safeguarding Children course, and on-court sessions, applicants will receive a certificate of course completion and Trainee Tennis Australia Coach Membership.

Tennis Australia Coach Education Pathway



The Tennis Australia coach education pathway provides flexible entry options with the online Participation Coaching Course, the Trainee Coaching Course and the Development (Level 1) Coaching Course, this enables applicants to commence at the level most suited to their prior learning and experience.

Applicants can also enter a specialist field of education in the areas of Business & Venue Management, Padel, POP Tennis or Pickleball.

All upcoming courses can be found and applied for via our [‘Course & Workshop Calendar’ on the TA website](https://tennis.com.au/coaches/coach-education/course-and-workshop-calendar) (tennis.com.au/coaches/coach-education/course-and-workshop-calendar)



Trainee Coaching Course Entry Criteria

To gain acceptance into the Tennis Australia Trainee Coaching Course applicants are required to meet the following criteria:

- Be a minimum of 16 years of age at the commencement of the course. ¹
- Maintain a suitable physical fitness level to complete the practical components of the course. ²
- Comply with all requirements of the Tennis Australia Member Protection Policy. Requirements vary around Australia, details can be found at the Tennis Australia [Coach Membership policies on the TA website](https://tennis.com.au/coaches/membership/policies) (tennis.com.au/coaches/membership/policies).
- Obtain and provide Tennis Australia with suitable screening requirements based on the applicants state/territory and age. For more details on these requirements, please see 'Screening Requirements' listed on page 3. For applicants aged 18 and over, they will be required to provide evidence of the following during the online application process: ²
 - A copy of a current Working with Children Check (WWCC) or state/territory equivalent.
 - A copy of a National Police Check (NPC). A suggested provider is [National Crime Check](https://nationalcrimecheck.com.au) (nationalcrimecheck.com.au) at a cost of \$58.90 (Inc. GST).
 - A signed Tennis Australia Member Protection Declaration (MPD), this declaration is completed online as part of the application process.
- Complete and [submit an application online via the TA website](https://courseapplications.tennis.com.au) (courseapplications.tennis.com.au) before the application closing date. ³
- Payment of \$295.00 (Inc. GST) course fee, which will be requested after the application has been accepted into the course. Successful applicants will be advised within 7 days of the closing date. ⁴

Notes:

1. Please note to deliver the Tennis for Primary Schools or Secondary Schools program, applicants must be 18 years of age.
2. Additional information can be obtained by contacting the Course Coordinator. Their contact details are listed on page 1.
3. The application closing date is listed on page 1.
4. Scholarships or subsidies may be offered to eligible recipients. There are more details listed on page 4.

Screening Requirements

A copy of the applicants screening documents will be required to be submitted with their online application, and we recommend that applicants obtain the required documents before commencing an online application. Receipts of lodgement of the documents can be uploaded during the online application process, in place of the completed check.

STATE / TERRITORY	AGE			DEFINITIONS
	16yo	17yo	18yo and over	
ACT	WWCC & POA	WWCC & POA	WWCC & NPC	• POA: Proof of Age Document. Acceptable documents are limited to, Birth Certificate, Passport, Licence (Drivers, Marine, Firearms), or School Issued Student Card. • NPC: National Police Check • WWCC: Working With Children Check (Also known in some regions as an: Ochre Card, Blue Card, Working With Vulnerable People Check)
NSW	POA	POA	WWCC & NPC	
NT	WWCC	WWCC	WWCC & NPC	
QLD	POA	POA	WWCC & NPC	
SA	WWCC	WWCC	WWCC & NPC	
TAS	WWCC	WWCC	WWCC & NPC	
VIC	POA	POA	WWCC & NPC	
WA	POA	POA	WWCC & NPC	

Selection

All applicants will be notified of the status of their application by email within 7 days of the closing date.

In some instances, there are a limited number of positions available in the course. Course applicants will be admitted to the course based on their application and their ability to meet the course entry criteria.

Scholarships & Subsidies

Scholarships or subsidies may be offered to eligible recipients.

Tennis Australia provides a President's Women In Tennis Scholarships to eligible applicants into the Trainee Coaching Course and higher. Tennis Australia recognises that Women are underrepresented in the coaching community and are determined to increase the number of Women coaches in Tennis. The scholarship provides several benefits to the applicant, including a discount in the course fees. An application form will be available on the ['Course & Workshop Calendar' on the TA website](#).

Tennis Australia Regional Travel Subsidies are available to applicants who reside 200km or further from the main venue of the course and meet other subsidy criteria. The subsidy is provided by Tennis Australia to acknowledge the additional costs involved for regional and rural coaches attending the course. Please contact the course coordinator for more details and for a subsidy form.

Compulsory Attendance

If accepted into the course, applicants must agree to attend all the sessions, including any online learning sessions. In the event of non-attendance applicants will be required to attend contact days at a future course to make up the sessions missed. If applicants are unable to attend due to illness, a medical certificate is required.

Refund Policy

Upon acceptance into the Tennis Australia Trainee Coaching Course, applicants are required to pay the full course fees prior to the first day of the course.

Fees paid by applicants may be refunded in the following circumstances and time frames:

- For withdrawals received in writing, after accepting a place in the course but before the first day of the course, fees will be refunded less a \$50.00 (Inc. GST) administrative fee.
- For withdrawals received after the course start date, no payments will be refunded.

Tennis Australia Coach Membership

On completion of the Tennis Australia Trainee Coaching Course, applicants may be eligible to receive a complimentary Trainee Tennis Australia Coach Membership (if not already an existing member). Complimentary membership is valued at up to \$218.00 (Inc. GST) and will be valid for up to 24 months. On going membership after 24 months can be continued at no charge if the applicant is working under a Tennis Australia Coach Member with a Business package or \$49.00 (Inc. GST) if the applicants head coach is a Qualified Tennis Australia Coach Member.

There are a range of [member benefits provided to Tennis Australia Coach Members](https://bounce.tennis.com.au) (bounce.tennis.com.au) including insurance, access to Bounce (the TA online learning platform), discounted access to TA Coach Education Workshops & Conferences, the Swingvision App Pro, member partner discounts (New Balance, Oakley, Sparms, Kia, Tennis Only, National Programs, Hart Sport, Dunlop Tennis), local area marketing and access to the TA Coach Premium App.



Tennis acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we work, rest and play, and pay our respect to Elders past and present.