

Tennis Australia Development Coaching Course (Level 1)

VIC-GEELONG-SEPTEMBER

Applications close: 7 September 2026

Course cost: \$1,995.00 (Inc. GST)

Course Information

TENNIS AUSTRALIA DEVELOPMENT COACHING COURSE (LEVEL 1)

Course Details

The Tennis Australia Development Coaching Course (Level 1) will be delivered from:

Friday 25 September 2026 to Sunday 2 May 2027 (10 on-court days, 100% attendance is required)

Full course schedule attached on page 7-8 (Subject to change)

The venue for this course will be:

Geelong Lawn Tennis Club, 12-20 Sommers Street, Belmont VIC 3216

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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

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Course Learning Outcomes

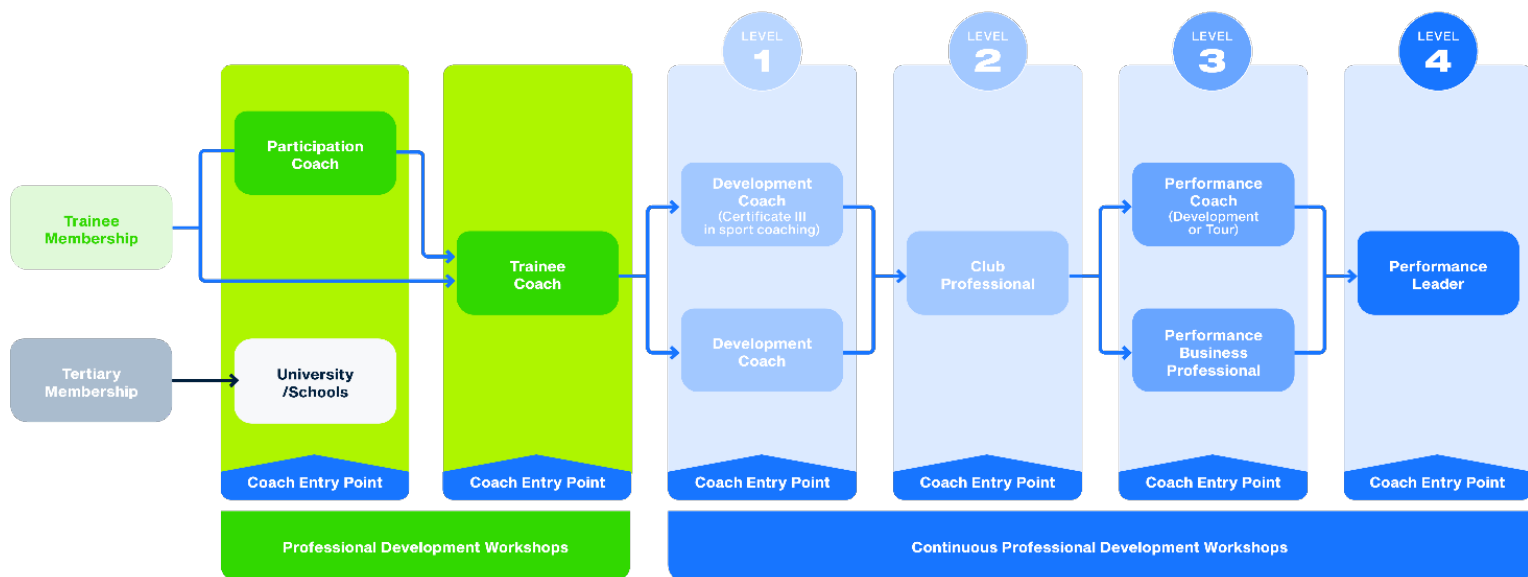
During the Tennis Australia Development Coaching Course (Level 1), participants learn to develop the skills of junior Tennis players through the delivery of the Hot Shots Tennis program. There is a major focus on planning, delivering and reflecting on coaching sessions and creating positive learning environments for children. The course covers the Hot Shots Tennis program, Tennis Australia technical and tactical fundamentals, Cardio Tennis, legal and ethical responsibilities of a coach, risk management, program planning, Tennis rules, personal development and using technology.

The course is scheduled over:

1. Two 2-hour online learning sessions via your laptop, tablet or mobile device
2. Online self-paced content, including the Safeguarding Children course, via our online learning platform Bounce
3. Ten 7-hour on-court days
4. Three 1-hour on-court assessments submitted via video

After satisfactory completion of the; online learning sessions, online self-paced content, on-court sessions, and assessment days, applicants will receive a certificate of course completion and Qualified 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 Coaching Course (Level 1), 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)



Course Entry Criteria

To gain acceptance into the Tennis Australia Development Coaching Course (Level 1) 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
- Be currently coaching Tennis a minimum of 5 hours per week. ²
- A supervising coach who is at least Club Professional (Level 2) qualified and have them sign the ‘Supervising Coach Form’ available on page 6. 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](http://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 4. 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](http://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](http://courseapplications.tennis.com.au) (courseapplications.tennis.com.au) before the application closing date. ³
- Applicants and supervising coaches may be required to complete an initial entry interview with the Course Coordinator.
- Payment of \$1,995.00 (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 & 5}

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.
5. Payment plans are available on request. Please contact your Course Coordinator ² before the course closing date for more details.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.

Course Fee & Payment Plans

The course fee includes the cost of the Tennis Australia Development Coaching Course (Level 1) \$1,676.00 (Inc. GST), plus Tennis Australia Coach Membership \$319.00 (Inc. GST) for a total cost of \$1,995.00 (Inc. GST).

Payment plans, which allow a participant to spread the course fee over multiple payments across the duration of the course, are available on request. In most cases part of the course fee will be due up front, with the remainder to be paid over instalments before the final on-court assessment date. Please contact your Course Coordinator before the course closing date for more details and to request a payment plan.

Scholarships & Subsidies

Tennis Australia provides a President's Women In Tennis Scholarships to eligible applicants into the Development Coaching Course (Level 1) 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 [via the TA website](http://courseapplications.tennis.com.au) (courseapplications.tennis.com.au)

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.

Refund Policy

Upon acceptance into the Tennis Australia Development Coaching Course (Level 1), applicants are required to pay the full course fees prior to the first day of the course (unless prior arrangement has been made for a payment plan).

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 \$150.00 (Inc. GST) administrative fee.
- For withdrawals received after the course start date, no payments will be refunded.

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.

Course Completion

Course participants will have 12 months from the first day of the course to complete all units to a competent standard. If this is not achieved, an administration fee of \$350.00 (Inc. GST) will be incurred by the course participant and a course extension form issued. Following receipt of this payment and return of the extension form, the course deadline will be extended, but not exceed 24 months from the course start date.

Coaching Practice – Supervising Coach

Coaching practice is incorporated into “Module 1 – Coaching Tennis” of the Tennis Australia Development Coaching Course (Level 1). During the course, candidates must complete 40 hours of practical coaching with junior players (Red, Orange & Green stage players). Confirmation of these hours is required through the completion of a coaching log sheet provided during the course. These hours must be completed under the guidance of a supervising coach at least Club Professional (Level 2) qualified.

Tennis Australia Coach Membership

On acceptance into the Tennis Australia Development Coaching Course (Level 1), applicants may be eligible to receive 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. Upon completion of the course, applicants will be upgraded to Qualified Tennis Australia Coach Membership, valued at up to \$319.00 (Inc. GST).

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.

SUPERVISING COACH FORM

Supervising Coach Information

First Name: _____ **Surname:** _____

Mobile Number: _____

Tennis Australia Coach Qualification (Please circle your highest achieved qualification - Must be a minimum Club Professional (Level 2):

Club Professional (Level 2) | Business & Venue Management | Performance Coach (Level 3)

Supervising Coach Commitment

By completing and signing this application form, I fully understand my role and commitment to _____
as their supervising coach. **(insert course participant's name)**

I agree to make all reasonable efforts to provide support and offer experiences to progress the course participant's coaching skills.

I agree to act professionally, ethically and to abide by Tennis Australia's National Policies, including the Member Protection Policy and the Coaches' Code of Conduct at all times.

The supervising coach is expected to assist the course participant in the following areas:

- session planning
- group & time management and communication
- session delivery and catering for the needs of individual players in each group
- assistance with analysis and improvement of technical and tactical skills of junior players
- assist in sourcing players for each of the following on-court assessments —
 - Development Coaching Course (Level 1): Red Stage (four players aged 5–8 years), Orange Stage (four players aged 8–10 years) and Green Stage (four players aged 10–12 years). These players should be able to maintain a basic rally appropriate to their stage.
 - Club Professional Coaching Course (Level 2): semi-private (two players, intermediate to advanced), group (four players, intermediate to advanced), private (one player, intermediate to advanced)
- submit a third party report which will provide additional evidence of the course participant's competency in a range of areas as demonstrated in their workplace (e.g., maintaining equipment). A template for this report will be provided.
- attend an online introduction session with the course participant on day one of the course.

Should I have any questions and queries I will direct them to the Course Coordinator and work with them in making the coaching course experience as fulfilling as possible for the course participant.

Privacy

To assist us in the provision of products and services, we need to collect personal information about you. When you provide personal information you agree that this will be used by Tennis Australia and other Australian Tennis Organisations under the terms of this statement, and the tennis privacy policy located at www.tennis.com.au/privacy, which contains information about how you may access and seek correction of your personal information or complain about a breach of your privacy, and how we will deal with that complaint. If you do not agree, you must not provide your personal information, and you may be unable to access all of our products and services. Tennis Australia and other Australian Tennis Organisations may disclose your personal information to other parties, including our related companies, other Australian Tennis Organisations, and third parties who provide us services. From time to time, these third parties may be located (and therefore your personal information may be disclosed) overseas, including to the USA and the Netherlands and as otherwise specified in the Tennis privacy policy. Tennis Australia and other Australian Tennis Organisations may use and disclose your personal information for direct marketing purposes regarding the products and services you are signing up to receive, unless you opt-out (which you can do at any time in accordance with the tennis privacy policy).

Supervising Coaching Signature: _____

Date: _____

COURSE SCHEDULE

Tennis Australia Development Coaching Course (Level 1) 2026 VIC Geelong September

Online Learning Sessions

DAY	DATE	TIME	CONTENT	LOCATION
VC1	25/09/2026	11:00am-1:00pm	Course induction, Hot Shots Tennis, Modified equipment, Role of the coach	Virtual classroom via Bounce
VC2	21/03/2027	11:00am-1:00pm	Course check-in, Maximising potential, Orange Stage competition	

On-court Sessions

BLOCK	DAY	DATE	TIME	CONTENT	LOCATION
1	1	01/10/2026	7:30am-2:30pm	Tennis industry, Coaching philosophy, Coach framework, Coach Blue Stage players	Geelong Lawn Tennis Club
	2	02/10/2026	7:30am-2:30pm	Coach Blue Stage players, Coach Red Stage 1 players	
	3	03/10/2026	7:30am-2:30pm	Coach Red Stage 2 players, Shot cycle, Reverse planning	
	4	04/10/2026	7:30am-2:30pm	Coach Red Stage 3 players	
On-Court assessment, Red Stage					Video upload to Bounce
2	5	05/12/2026	7:30am-2:30pm	Serving through the stages, Coaches eye, Stroke analysis & correction	Geelong Lawn Tennis Club
	6	06/12/2026	7:30am-2:30pm	Coach Orange Stage 1 players, Evaluating common Tennis coaching experiences	
3	7	13/02/2027	7:30am-2:30pm	Coach Orange Stage 2 players, Doubles	Geelong Lawn Tennis Club
	8	14/02/2027	7:30am-2:30pm	Coaching Adults & Cardio Tennis	
On-Court assessment, Orange Stage					Video upload to Bounce
4	9	01/04/2026	7:30am-2:30pm	Coach Green Stage 1 players, Feeding, Games styles	Geelong Lawn Tennis Club
	10	02/04/2026	7:30am-2:30pm	Coach Green Stage 2 players, Private lessons	
On-Court assessment, Green Stage					Video upload to Bounce

Assessments

Stage	No. of players	Time allocated	Due date (video)
Red	4	5 minute player profile + 30 minutes + 15 min feedback – total 50 mins	08/11/2026
Orange	4	5 minute player profile + 45 minutes + 15 min feedback – total 65 mins	14/03/2027
Green	4	5 minute player profile + 45 minutes + 15 min feedback – total 65 mins	02/05/2027

Approximate Time To Complete	Task – Online Modules
Self-paced between 30 to 50 mins	Task 1 - Tennis Industry Task (Part D-E - Tennis In Schools) Tennis for Primary Schools online course, Tennis for Secondary Schools online course
Self-paced between 30 to 50 mins	Task 2 - Responsibilities of the coach Responsibilities of the coach online module, Responsibilities of the coach quiz
Self-paced between 30 to 50 mins	Task 3 - Maximising Potential
Self-paced between 30 to 50 mins	Task 6 - Conflict Management
Self-paced between 20 to 40 mins	Task 7 - Rules & Regulations Rules and regulations online module, Rules and regulations assessment quiz
Self-paced between 60 to 90 mins	Task 11 - Inclusive Coaching Inclusive coaching online module, Coaching players with ASD online course
Self-paced between 20 to 40 mins	Task 12 - Technical Analysis Technical analysis quiz, Technical analysis short answer questionnaire
Self-paced between 20 to 40 mins	Task 15 - Coaching Girls
Self-paced between 20 to 40 mins	Task 16 - Coaching Adults & Cardio Tennis Introduction to Cardio Tennis online course

Approximate Time To Complete	Task – Assessment Tasks
40 to 60 mins	Task 1 - Tennis Industry Task (Part A-C)
9 to 12 hours of a mix of online and face-to-face content, obtained via your own provider	Task 4 - First Aid Certification
20 to 40 mins plan, 20 to 40 mins reflection	Task 5 – Plan & Reflect Red Stage
20 to 40 mins plan, 20 to 40 mins reflection	Task 8 – Plan & Reflect Orange Stage
60 to 90 mins plan, 8 hours on-court delivery, 20 to 40 mins reflection	Task 9 - Plan & Deliver A Term Program
40 hours on-court delivery	Task 10 - Supervising Coach Report & Coaching Log
20 to 40 mins plan, 20 to 40 mins reflection	Task 13 – Plan & Reflect Green Stage

Notes: This course schedule is subject to change. To maximise the outcomes of the course, attendance at all sessions is compulsory. If you are unable to attend a session, you must notify the Course Coordinator prior to the commencement of course. A medical certificate may be required if you are unable to attend any sessions due to illness.



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