VA's New Accreditation Framework

As a member association of Volleyball Australia (VA), Volleyball WA (VWA) adheres to VA's policies and accreditation frameworks.

VA has updated the Coach and Referee Accreditation Frameworks for 2023 which has changed some major details regarding accreditation names, processes, and requirements.

The changes are as follows:

COACH ACCREDITATIONS

Level 1

Level 1 Coach Accreditations and their requirements did not change.

Level 2 and 3

Previously:

After attending a Face-to-Face course, participants would be known as a 'Level 2 Candidate' Coach or a 'Level 3 Candidate' Coach.

This candidacy lasted 2 years and was not extendable or renewable.

Once the necessary paperwork was obtained and submitted, candidates would receive a full Level 2 Coach or Level 3 Coach accreditation that would last for 4 years from the day the paperwork was submitted.

Now:

After attending a Face-to-Face course, participants receive the 'Level 2 Associate' Coach or 'Level 3 Associate' Coach accreditation.

This accreditation lasts for 4 years and is renewable, yet this is not a full level 2 or 3 accreditation*.

Once the necessary paperwork is obtained and submitted, Level 2 Associates become 'Level 2 State' Coaches and Level 3 Associates become 'Level 3 National' Coaches.

This accreditation lasts for the remainder of the expiry period of the Associate level accreditation and can be renewed for 4 years.

Level 4

There is no Level 4 Coach Accreditation yet but it is being developed by VA.

REFEREE ACCREDITATIONS

Level 1

Level 1 Referee Accreditations and their requirements did not change.

Level 2

Previously:

After attending a Face-to-Face course, participants would be known as a 'Level 2 Candidate'.

This candidacy lasted 2 years and was not extendable or renewable.

Once the necessary paperwork was obtained and submitted, they would receive a full Level 2 Referee accreditation that would last for 4 years from the day the paperwork was submitted.

Now:

After attending a Face-to-Face course, participants receive the 'Level 2 Associate' Referee accreditation.

This accreditation lasts for 4 years and is renewable, yet this is not a full level 2 accreditation*.

Once the necessary paperwork is obtained and submitted, Level 2 Associates become 'Level 2 State' Referees.

This accreditation lasts for the remainder of the expiry period of the Associate level accreditation and can be renewed for 4 years.

Level 3 and 4

Level 3 Referee, Level 3 Beach Referee, Level 4 Referee, and Level 4 Beach Referee Accreditations remain the same.

Volleyball Australia's Referee Committee (VARC) is responsible for dealing with Level 3 and 4 Referee accreditation applications, not the State and Territory associations (such as VWA).

Notes:

*Even though 'Associate' Accreditations can be renewed, they cannot be recovered if they expire.

Accreditation names have automatically changed in VA's accreditation portal, you do not need to do anything at this point.

Specific details regarding what paperwork is required for each accreditation can be found in VA's accreditation portal.

Starting this year, 'Continuous Development Credit' (CDC) points will be required to renew accreditations (explained in VA's Accreditation Renewal Policy).