

# BRITISH TENPIN BOWLING ASSOCIATION



## Coaching for the Future

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## 1.0 Introduction

As part of our programme of continuous improvement the BTBA Coaching Management team have been asked to review and where necessary update our coaching development programme. This programme has three primary objectives:

- To provide all our members with the best possible coaching resources available that will help them to improve and develop their game and assist them to reach personal goals, whether they are to:
  - Improve their game to compete in local, county, or international events
  - Adapt their technique to fully utilise newer ball technologies and styles of play
  - Improve their accuracy and/or consistency
  - Or, just add a few pins to their game.
- To ensure that every member feels safe and secure when dealing with BTBA coaches with the knowledge that they hold a licence that has been issued by the BTBA they:
  - Will have been DBS checked, revised annually
  - Will have public indemnity and personal liability insurance
  - Will have a recognised coaching qualification.
- To provide support and training to members that wish to become coaches or those that are or have previously been coaches to develop and update their skills:
  - Training in tried and trusted methods used consistently throughout the BTBA
  - Ongoing updates and seminars to keep skills fresh and up to date
  - Have access to a full suite of training courses dedicated to safeguarding and the duty of care to Children and Adults.

We know that people new to bowling are our future and if we can help them at an early stage then they may well turn out to be bowlers for life. We are therefore continuing to focus attention on YBC's as a priority but not exclusively. New bowlers come in all shapes and sizes and with the development of Graded Coaches and Local Association training days, we will be able to provide regular learning opportunities for all.

## 2.0 Coaching Qualification Levels

- BTBA Grade 1 - Existing Fundamental Coach (YBC).
- BTBA Grade 1+ - Local Coach (YBC).
- BTBA Grade 2 - Local Association Coach (County).
- BTBA Grade 2+ - Local Association Coach (County) with completed hours for ETBF Level 1.
- BTBA Grade 3 - National Coach.
- BTBA Grade 3+ - International Coach with completed hours for ETBF Level 2.
- BTBA Grade 4 - Master Coach.

All BTBA Coaches must be at least 18 years of age and must hold a current Standard or International Gold membership of the BTBA.

All coaches and applicants will need to have undertaken, and passed, an enhanced DBS check



and the certificate must be registered with the DBS update service. This will then allow the BTBA to view the DBS status, online, at any time.

All BTBA Coaches must be at least 18 years of age and must hold a current BTBA Standard + Coaching or International Gold + Coaching Membership.

All coaches and applicants will need to have undertaken, and passed, an enhanced DBS check and the certificate must be registered with the DBS update service. This will then allow the BTBA to view the DBS status, online, at any time.

**BTBA Coaches will be graded accordingly:**

Fundamental Coaches will be BTBA Grade 1

New applicants will be BTBA Graded 1+ (after passing the appropriate online exam).

Non-registered BTBA Coaches - Those who are not on the current BTBA database on the BTBA Coaching webpage, that can prove they hold or have held a coaching qualification recognised by the BTBA will be graded as a BTBA Grade 1+ (this is the highest BTBA grade without an ETBF qualification).

Registered BTBA Coaches – Those who are on the current BTBA database on the BTBA webpage, will be graded equivalent to their current status when renewing their membership.

All coaches must keep up to date with the Educare safeguarding training in accordance with BTBA guidelines.

All coaches will be required to maintain a log and complete a report form for each coaching related event they are actively involved with during the year (logs and forms will be supplied by the coaching department). To continue as a BTBA Coach, logs and report forms must be submitted for review in the month before their licence expires. Following these reviews, coaches will be informed as to whether they have been approved to advance to the next grade (if applied for) or continue at their current grade. These reviews will be carried out by the Coaching Department.

The Coaching Department will hold several seminar days for BTBA Grade 1+ - 3+ coaches throughout the year. Places will be limited and therefore priority will be given on a first come first serve basis.

## 2.1 Additional requirements - specific to each level

### BTBA Grade 1

This grade is solely for existing Fundamental Coaches.

Grade 1 Coaches will be eligible to carry out their role as a Fundamental Coach at YBC (if officially invited to do so by a YBC).

Grade 1 Coaches can advance to BTBA Grade 1+ by applying for and passing a free online 10 question exam (the pass mark for this exam is 80% or higher).

### BTBA Grade 1+

- New applicants. New applicants are required to take and pass a free online 10 question exam (the pass mark for this exam is 80% or higher).
- Non-registered Coaches (explained above).



Grade 1+ Coaches will be required to attend and assist at one of the Local Association Training Days throughout the year. All non-attendances will be taken into consideration when reviewing logbooks.

Grade 1+ Coaches will be eligible to coach at YBC events (if officially invited to do so by a YBC).

Only approved Grade 1+ Coaches can advance to BTBA Grade 2.

### **BTBA Grade 2**

Approved Grade 1+ Coaches must maintain the required DBS certificate, appropriate BTBA membership and licence. They are also required to take an ETBF level 1 course and qualify. Once ETBF coaching hours have been completed and signed off, a Grade 2 Coach will become a Grade 2+ Coach.

Grade 2 & 2+ Coaches will be required assist or run two Local Association Days throughout the year. All non-attendances will be taken into consideration when reviewing logbooks.

Grade 2 & 2+ Coaches will be eligible to coach at YBC & Local Association events (if officially invited to do so by either a YBC or Local Association).

Only approved Grade 2+ Coaches can advance to BTBA Grade 3.

### **BTBA Grade 3**

Approved Grade 2+ Coaches must maintain the required DBS certificate, appropriate BTBA membership and licence. They are also required to take an ETBF level 2 course and qualify. Once ETBF coaching hours have been completed and signed off, a Grade 3 Coach will become a Grade 3+ Coach.

Grade 3 & 3+ Coaches will be required assist or run two Local Association Days throughout the year. All non-attendances will be taken into consideration when reviewing logbooks.

Grade 3 & 3+ Coaches will be eligible to coach at YBC & Local Association events (if officially invited to do so by either a YBC or Local Association) plus National events. Grade 3+ Coaches are also eligible for International events (both National and International appointments will be via a BTBA coaching pool).

On request Grade 3+ Coaches can advance to BTBA Grade 4.

### **BTBA Lead Coach**

Will be by invitation from the Head of Coaching. They will assist in organising and running all aspects of the BTBA Coaching programs

## **3.0 International requirements**

**As of January 2021** – “A coach must be certified as an ETBF Level 2 coach or equivalent by one of the national or international programmes approved / recognised by ETBF and or World Bowling to be able to coach in ETBF’s Championships”.