

## Auckland City FC Academy Academy Coach Position Description

Dated: 08/10/2019



Position	Skills Centre Coach
Reports to	Academy Director
Length of contract	30 October to 18 March
Commitment	Monday and Wednesday 30 October to 9 December (6 weeks) 10 February to 18 March (6 weeks)

### Auckland City FC Academy

The Auckland City FC (ACFC) Academy provides all players, male and female, with a comprehensive pathway from grassroots to senior football. We have a firm belief in developing players for long-term participation in football, no matter what level they aspire to, as well as creating good people.

### ACADEMY - Skills Centre (U9-U12)

The Skills Centre is for junior players aged 9-12 years who are wanting to develop themselves for long-term participation in football. This is the 'golden age' of learning and the optimal time to focus on improving the core skills needed to play football. Players are exposed to a structured training programme that places an emphasis on learning within the context of the game while being part of an enjoyable environment that maximises player development.

### Position Purpose

To lead all coaching aspects of the training sessions for junior players aged 9-12 years with the objective of creating an environment where the players can learn, develop and express themselves.

### Key Accountabilities Specific to the Role

Under direction from the Academy Director, the Skills Centre Coach will be responsible for the delivery of all training sessions for a specific junior age group.

Duties include:

- Lead in the delivery of the Skills Centre training sessions as guided by the ACFC Academy Curriculum and Coaching Philosophy.
- Lead in the evaluating and monitoring of player progress in all areas of development including the completion of reports under the agreed timelines set by ACFC.
- Work alongside and manage any assistant coaches, allowing opportunity for them to be involved in the delivery of the training.
- Liaison with the GK coaches for the Wednesday session (if applicable).
- Take responsibility and ownership of any equipment and apparel issued by ACFC.

**Required Qualifications:**

Successful applicants will have the following qualifications and experience:

- Minimum accredited NZF Junior Level 3 Coaching Award, or overseas equivalent.
- First Aid Certificate is preferable.
- Experience in leadership and management of players and staff.

**Required Skills:**

Successful applicants will demonstrate and excel in the following fields:

- Delivery, execution and planning of high-quality sessions.
- Leadership – leading positivity by example (role model to players).
- Communication – effectively communicate to all parties associated to the Academy.
- Building effective working relationships – work successfully with others and show an ability to build and continue effective relationships with others.
- Management – be seen as an effective leader of players and people with a proven track record to show.

At a personal level, the successful applicant will have demonstrated a strong awareness of world's best practice in coaching, and have shown a desire to achieve excellence in all areas, through continual personal development.