

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.