

Membership 2024



Renewal New membership

I, Mr / Mrs / Ms / Miss / Dr / Br / Prof /

Other: _____ (Circle one or enter details of 'other')

Last Name: _____

Preferred Name: _____

Postal Address: _____

Suburb: _____ State/Pcode: _____

Telephone: (H) _____ (W) _____

Fax: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Gender (M or F): _____

Occupation: _____

In making this application I make the following declarations;

- I agree to be bound by the terms of the Articles of Association, Rules of the Association, the Code of Ethics of the Association in force (see over) and the Discipline processes
- I have not been convicted of any indictable offence
- I have not at any time committed any act or omission which, if I was a member at the time of committing such act or omission, would be a breach of the Rules of the Association and/or Code of Ethics of the Association
- The coaching information set out below is true and correct; and I acknowledge that should any information in this application, including the declaration, be found to be false, the Board may (subject to rights of appeal) suspend or expel me from membership of the Association
- I am not a person prohibited by any Commonwealth, State or Territory legislation from seeking, obtaining, undertaking or remaining in child related employment
- I have undertaken all steps to comply with relevant legislation in the State(s) in which I coach in relation to working with children including, where required, consenting to a check to my relevant criminal records.

Working with Children Registration Number: _____

Signature of applicant: _____

Date: _____

Coaching Information:

If you are an athletics coach, please **name** your coaching affiliation(s):

Little Athletics Centre/Club _____

Primary School _____

Secondary School _____

College/University _____

Senior Club _____

Other Athletics coaching e.g. Pros, Masters etc:

WEBSITE INFORMATION Event Group you would like to be acknowledged to coach in:

I wish to be put on the ATFCA Coach website Yes No

Fees:

2024 Membership Fee \$145 (including GST)
 \$15 will be sent to state branches from each membership

By Cheque / Money Order (payable to 'ATFCA')

By Direct Debit into ATFCA Account:

BSB: **034 230** Account Number: **239397**

Account Name: **Australian Track and Field Coaches Association**

Bank name: **Westpac Banking Corporation**

- If doing by Direct Debit, please indicate name on deposit. If any details have changed could you please also return membership form to the national office.

Please return completed form to:



**PO Box 126
 TAMBORINE QLD 4270**

**Email: enquiries@atfca.com.au
 glynis@atfca.com.au**

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The coach's primary role is to facilitate the process of individual development through achievement of Athletic potential. This role accepts the athletes' long term interests as of greater importance than short term athletic considerations. To fulfil this role the coach must behave in an ethical manner. By becoming a member of the ATFCA, a coach agrees to be held accountable for any breach of the following points:

1. Coaches must respect the basic human rights, that is, the equal rights, of each athlete with no discrimination on the grounds of gender, race, colour, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, association with a national minority, birth or other status.
2. Coaches must respect the dignity and recognise the contribution of each individual. This includes respecting the right for freedom from physical or sexual harassment and advances.
3. Coaches must ensure that practical environments are safe and appropriate. This appropriateness must take into consideration the age, maturity and skill level of the athlete. This is particularly important in the case of younger or less developed athletes.
4. Coaches must acknowledge and respect the Rules of Competition. This respect should extend to the spirit as well as to the letter of the rules, in both training and competition, to ensure fairness of competitive opportunity between all athletes.
5. Coaches must exhibit an active respect for officials, by accepting the role of the officials in providing judgement to ensure that competitions are conducted fairly and according to the established rules.
6. Coaches must accept final responsibility for the performance and conduct of the athletes they coach, while at the same time encouraging the independence and self determination of each athlete by their acceptance of responsibility for their own decisions, conduct and performance.
7. Coaches must assert a positive and active leadership role to prevent any use of prohibited drugs or other disallowed performance enhancing substances or practices. This leadership by coaches includes education of the athletes of the harmful effects of prohibited substances and practices.
8. The coach must acknowledge that all coaches have an equal right to desire the success of the athletes they coach - competing within the rules. Observations, recommendations and criticism should be directed to the appropriate person outside the view or hearing of the public domain.
9. Coaches must never solicit, either overtly or covertly, athletes who are receiving coaching to join their squad.
10. Coaches must never allow athletes who are receiving coaching to join their squad without first involving, and then continuing to involve the current personal coach or coaches.
11. The coach must acknowledge and recognise that all athletes have a right to pursue their athletic potential, including when an athlete's development would benefit from a change of coaching situation. The coach should ensure that, in these cases, any formation of a coaching partnership or transfer to another coach is actively explored with the athlete, whose decision is supported.
12. Coaches should hold recognised coaching qualifications. Coaches should respect that the gaining of coaching qualifications is an ongoing commitment, achieved through the upgrading of their knowledge by attendance of accredited courses and through practical coaching experience. Coaches also have a responsibility to share the knowledge and practical experience they gain.
13. Coaches must respect the image of the coach and the reputation of the Association and continuously maintain the highest standards of personal conduct, reflected in both the manner of appearance and behaviour, so that they do not bring Coaching or the Association into disrepute.
14. Coaches must never smoke while coaching or in the presence of athletes, nor consume alcoholic beverages so soon before coaching that it affects their competence or that the smell of alcohol is on their breath.
15. Coaches must enter into full cooperation with all individuals and agencies that could play a role in the development of the athletes they coach. This includes working openly with other coaches, using the expertise of sports scientists and sports physicians and displaying an active support of their National Federation and the IAAF.