

EASB Coaching Scheme

Application Procedure

Overview

The EASB Junior Coaching Scheme is aimed at taking youngsters from first contact with a full-sized billiard table, to a point where they understand and can apply the basic principles necessary to develop their game further.

EASB will license and monitor coaches who are competent to deliver this specialist training and application is open to any person domicile in England who is primarily interested in coaching junior players (under 18) in the games of snooker and billiards.

The scheme is based on delivering a series of skill tests of increasing difficulty. These will include key shots and sequences necessary to play both snooker and billiards proficiently.

EASB will operate ongoing monitoring of the scheme to verify coach performance, scheme effectiveness, and encourage participation of juniors in national competitions.

Benefits

In addition to receiving a recognised registration, an EASB Junior Coach shall receive a number of benefits under their membership, including the following:

- EASB will provide assistance with direct access to schools for the purpose of recruiting students.
- The Coach may enter any eligible player into EASB junior competitions without the need for them to hold individual membership. Entry fees for such entries will be at the affiliate rate, which is slightly higher than that for individual members, but the Coach is entitled to retain 10% of this fee, which is intended to help towards coaching expenses.
- Professional Indemnity insurance is in place which will provide cover against claims of negligence whilst performing your duties up to a maximum single claim of £500,000.
- Coach members will have rights equivalent to those of a "Standard Player Member," including entitlement to enter EASB competitions at the preferential entry fees available to individual members.
- The coach will have access to official EASB coaching awards which can be used to mark progress of students through the examination structure.

Pre-Qualification

Some applicants will pre-qualify as an EASB Junior Coach by virtue of examinations already undertaken with other organisations. We currently recognise the following coaching qualifications as meeting our own entrance criteria for competence.

Accredited certification bodies are:

- ❖ World Snooker
- ❖ IBSF
- ❖ EBSA

Please note that we will recognise only internationally accredited schemes in this respect. Certificates of training/competence issued by other individuals or organisations will only be recognised if they are also an EASB registered training provider.

Applicants supplying evidence of a current qualification to any of the above schemes will be processed without examination.

Examination

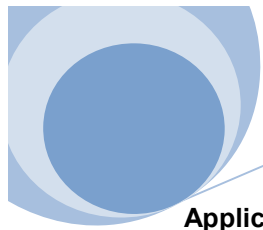
Applicants who do not pre-qualify will be required to undertake an examination, which also includes an appropriate level of induction to the scheme, and its practical application. For those without existing coaching experience, this may also be preceded by a training course from an approved training provider (ATP) as considered appropriate by the candidate or the Examiner.

Both Examiners and Training Providers will be progressively added to the scheme to give a national coverage. For the initial year of operation the approved Coaching Examiners are:

- ❖ Chris Lovell (Accrington)

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- 1) In the first instance, candidates should complete and return an application form together with the appropriate fee.
- 2) An early stage of the application will be to process a CRB check, and the candidate will be required to complete a statutory form for this purpose. This stage may be waived if the candidate can provide evidence of having undergone a CRB check within the previous 12 months under a coaching assessment by an accredited body listed above. Exemption should be confirmed before the application form is returned.
- 3) The application shall be processed on the assumption that the CRB checks will be negative, but should the check result in information which disqualifies the candidate from becoming an EASB Junior Coach, then the process will be halted. In no case will membership be confirmed before CRB results have been evaluated.
- 4) Application details shall be passed to an approved Examiner located nearest to the candidate's home address. Candidates who are exempt from examination due to pre-qualification shall progress directly to stage 7.
- 5) Should the candidate and the examiner agree that an initial course of training is preferable before examination, this shall be arranged by the candidate using the list of approved training providers.
- 6) Upon successful examination, details shall be passed to EASB by the Examiner and the membership shall be confirmed.
- 7) At this stage the candidate shall be sent an official notification letter, a certificate, and such other information as will allow them to commence their coaching activities immediately. This will be followed by sundry items associated with membership which need to be specially ordered. Typically:
 - Membership card
 - Name badge
 - Polo shirt
- 8) Where an applicant does not achieve membership status, by failure of the examination, or withdrawal from the process by the candidate, re-application will be permitted after a period of six months, or after evidence of attendance by the candidate at an approved training course.

Coach Registration Fees

Application £ 150.00

For candidates who are CRB exempt (evidence of recent check available) the application fee is reduced to £100.

Fees related to training and/or examination will be separate, being set by and payable to, the relevant organisation providing this service.

Annual Registration Renewal £ 50.00

Certification

The scheme will involve three levels of achievement (Bronze, Silver and Gold.) EASB will issue a bespoke foil-blocked certificate to students achieving these levels upon notification by the Coach. This service will be optional, and where requested will incur an administration fee of £6.00 applicable to each certificate issued.

Ongoing requirements

In order to maintain registration under the scheme, coaches must pay an annual subscription which will be due 1st January each year. This fee is currently set at £50 and provides for follow-up CRB checks at intervals of three years, or at such other intervals as may be deemed necessary by EASB.

When renewing membership, coaches must also provide a list of students coached under the scheme during the preceding 12 months, and the standard which they have attained. Any coach making a blank return for two consecutive years will be considered to be inactive and suspended from further membership until we are advised that this status has changed. Suspended members are not subject to any fees, but re-examination may be necessary before reinstatement is made, depending upon individual circumstances.