**Person Specification**

**GOALKEEPER COACH**

**Title** Somerset FA Girls’ Emerging Talent Centre Goalkeeper Coach

**Location** Strode Sports Centre, Old Church Road, Street, BA16 0AB

**Responsible to** Emerging Talent Centre Manager

**Purpose of post** To deliver practical football sessions in line with the Girls’ Emerging Talent Centre technical programme

**Start date** **Wednesday 7th September 2022**

**Centre operates on: Wednesdays**

**Time: 6pm – 9pm**

**Venue: Strode College Sports Centre, Church Road, Street, BA16 0AB**

**Rate of Pay** £45 (per session) for 30 weeks training programme

*Please note you will not be an employee of Somerset FA but will be engaged as a contractor to deliver the sessions. Consequently, this position is a self-employed position, you will be required to make the appropriate tax and national insurance payments from the gross payment.*

**Responsible for:**

* The safeguarding & welfare of players within their designated age group
* Providing high quality coaching and support
* Delivering a training and games programme in line with the technical programme
* Attending Staff Meetings
* Develop session plans in line with the technical programme
* Deliver & provide Player Reviews and feedback for players
* Work with the Player Development Lead to implement the GK specific technical programme
* Work with the Strength & Conditioning Coach & Sports Therapist to implement a GK specific physical programme
* Support the development of Mentee Coaches

**Key Skills and Experience required:**

**Essential**

* Committed to safeguarding to give a safe environment to children and young people
* Minimum Level 2 GK Football Coaching Qualification
* Recognised First Aid Qualification (FA Emergency First Aid / Introduction to First Aid in Football)
* Knowledge and Understanding of Child Protection issues and hold current and in-date FA Safeguarding Children certificate
* A child centric attitude with the welfare of young people being paramount
* An accepted and in-date FA Disclosure and barring Service Disclosure (FA DBS)
* Experience in Coaching Girls Football
* An understanding of current FA Emerging Talent Centre Structures and the England Lionesses Talent Pathway
* Knowledge and understanding of child development
* Willingness to work evenings (Training) and during half term (Fixtures/Development Days)
* Willingness to attend Regional / National Training Dates
* Own transport essential
* An understanding and commitment to equality, diversity and inclusion
* Ability to work in a team

**Desirable:**

* Understanding of Talent Identification
* Worked in an elite player development environment
* Understanding of Long Term Player Development
* Knowledge and understanding of working with young players

If you are interested in this position, please complete the online application form here: <https://forms.gle/f5PgDS5KkpTZ11iu7> Closing date for all applications is **Monday 25th July 2022**.

References and qualifications will be verified ahead of any appointment to the role)

If you require the application in a difference format (hard copy, large print etc) please contact: **Rachael Lawler-Edwards**; [rachael.lawler-edwards@somersetfa.com](mailto:rachael.lawler-edwards@somersetfa.com) / 07951 360626

**Opportunity for Personal Development:**

Staff excelling in the FA Girl’s Talent Pathway may be identified and mentored by our Regional / National FA staff. This may include shadowing or observing Regional and National Camp staff, attending personal development days and being part of a coaches network to share ideas with staff involved with other advanced coaching centres in the country. The County FA will also run free CPD workshops for coaches (Level 2) to gain continued professional development hours linked to The FA Licensed Coaches Club membership. Coaches will be supported by the South West Technical Talent Coach, together with the Women’s High Performance Coach Development Officer for National and Regional opportunities.

***Somerset FA acknowledges the duty of care to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and young people. We are committed to ensuring safeguarding practice reflects statutory responsibilities, government guidance and complies with best practice. As this role may involve direct access to young persons under the age of eighteen and/or Adults at Risk, within the context of the job or any subsequently related activities or responsibilities, the successful candidate will undergo a thorough screening process and will be required to undertake a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check through The FA DBS process. The possession of a criminal record will not necessarily prevent an applicant from obtaining this post, as all cases are judged individually according to the nature of the role and information provided.***

*Somerset FA Ltd is an equal opportunities employer and would actively encourage people from diverse backgrounds to apply.*

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