



‘Early Intention to Coach’

FA WSL Academy  
Player Opportunity



# What is the 'Early Intention to Coach' initiative?

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This initiative aims to provide those individuals within our FA WSL Academies that have intentions of pursuing a career in football coaching with a support framework that provides funding to access qualifications, alongside suitable coach education and development.



# How do you access the funding and support?

You need to demonstrate 'intent' by:

1. **Completing the free, online BT Playmaker by England Football course.**
2. **Having some voluntary or paid involvement within a coaching setting.**

*Once you have completed the above you can complete the application form for 'Early Intention to Coach' which will be available from mid July onwards.*



## Required Action 1 =

Complete the free, online BT Playmaker by England Football course.

[BT Playmaker by England Football | The Football Association  
\(thefa.com\)](https://thefa.com/bt-playmaker)



## Required Action 2 =

Have some voluntary or paid involvement within a coaching setting

### 'Some'

You need to demonstrate commitment over time and that you intend to continue with the involvement once you have the qualification.

### 'Within a coaching setting'

This could include:

- A local grassroots team
- A school, college or university team
- A football coaching company
- A summer camp event





## THE FA

### INTRODUCTION TO COACHING FOOTBALL

In summer 2021 a new Introduction to Coaching Football course is launching. This new course will replace the FA Level 1 in Coaching Football qualification which is no longer available.

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## FA LEVEL 2

### IN COACHING FOOTBALL

Build on the brilliant basics from our Introduction to Coaching Football course and begin shaping your coaching philosophy

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## FA LEVEL 3

### (UEFA B) IN COACHING FOOTBALL

Learn more about meeting the technical, tactical, physical, psychological and social needs of your players and designing practices that encourage decision making

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## FA LEVEL 4

### (UEFA A) IN COACHING FOOTBALL

Develop the technical and tactical skills needed to make you more effective when working within the 11v11 environment

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### ADVANCED YOUTH AWARD

Learn how to underpin a technical and tactical programme with the physical, social and psychological disciplines to create an elite development experience

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## FA LEVEL 5

### (UEFA PRO) IN COACHING FOOTBALL

Build on your technical coaching knowledge with winning team leadership and management strategies that will challenge your knowledge and understanding of coaching

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# Introduction to Coaching Football

## Course Prerequisites

To begin Introduction to Coaching Football you must complete The FA Playmaker, which is a completely free online course focused on taking an active role in football.

If you haven't yet completed The FA Playmaker, or you'd like to find out a bit more about how it works, you can click [here](#).

## Replacing The FA Level 1 in Coaching Football Course

The FA Level 1 In Coaching Football has now been replaced by Introduction to Coaching Football. We are excited to take you on this new journey to help you become the best coach you can be.

## Course Overview

Minimum Age:16

Course Duration:  
4 week online course

Leading To:  
FA Level 2 in Coaching Football

Launching 16 June

## FA LEVEL 2 in Coaching Football

### Course Pre-requisites

Prior to registration, learners must:

- be accurately identified
- be at least 16 years of age
- have completed the 1st4sport Level 1 Award in Coaching Football
- be able to communicate effectively in English (this includes listening, speaking, reading and writing).
- hold an in date FA Level 1 Introduction to First Aid in Football (1FAiF) (previously known as FA Emergency Aid)
- hold a current certificate for The FA Safeguarding Children Course The FA Safeguarding Children How We Support or The FA Online Safeguarding Children Recertification
- regularly coaching a group of players in England who are aged u7+ and whom regularly play in organised/competitive fixtures in order to complete the assessed project and thus be eligible to complete the qualification

### Course Overview

Minimum Age:16

Course Duration:

145 hours (total qualification time) / 73 hours (guided learning)

Leading To:

FA Level 3 (UEFA B) in Coaching Football



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## COACHING GOALKEEPERS



*IN COACHING GOALKEEPERS*

### FA LEVEL 1

The first course on our goalkeeping pathway provides an introduction to coaching goalkeepers to help you deliver safe, fun and engaging sessions for your players



### FA LEVEL 2

*IN COACHING GOALKEEPERS*

Build on the introduction from the Level 1 to develop a more in-depth understanding of working with goalkeepers from under 7 to open age

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### FA LEVEL 3

*IN COACHING GOALKEEPERS*

Learn more about advanced practical goalkeeping coaching sessions, performance analysis, youth development and psychological coaching techniques

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### FA LEVEL 4

*(UEFA A) IN COACHING GOALKEEPERS*

Better understand your role and profile as a goalkeeper coach and learn how to approach goalkeeper coaching at the elite level of the game

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# FA LEVEL 1 in Coaching Goalkeepers

## Course Pre-requisites

Prior to certification for this course, learners must:

- Be accurately identified
- Be at least 16 years of age
- Hold as a minimum a current FA Emergency Aid/IFAiF
- Have attended The FA Safeguarding Children Course (or FA online Safeguarding Children Re-certification / Safeguarding for Coaches - How We Support) within the last three years

## Course Overview

Minimum Age: 16 years

Course Duration:

Six face-to-face workshops (21 hours)

Leading To:

The FA Level 2 in Coaching Goalkeepers



## **FA LEVEL 2** **in Coaching Goalkeepers**

### **Course Overview**

Minimum Age: 16 years

Course Duration:

Six face-to-face workshops (21 hours)

### **Course Pre-requisites**

Prior to registering for this course, learners must hold:

- Be at least 16 years of age
- Hold FA Level 1 in Coaching Goalkeepers
- Hold Introduction to Coaching Football (unless FA Level 2 in Coaching Football was completed prior to 01 August 2016)
- Hold FA Level 2 in Coaching Football
- Hold as a minimum a current FA Emergency Aid/IFAiF
- Have attended The FA Safeguarding Children Course (or FA online Safeguarding Children Re-certification / Safeguarding for Coaches - How We Support) within the last three years



# Next Steps

1. Complete the 'expression of interest' survey. (Link in the chat)
2. Get started on the 2 explained actions required to apply for the 'Early Intention to Coach' initiative.
3. Complete the application form (once received). This will not be until the middle of July (exact date to be confirmed).

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/SFJB656>

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