

Position Description for Senior National Beach Handball Team Manager

Applications are invited from suitably qualified people for the combined position of National Team Manager – Open Men’s Team and Open Women’s Team.

The role is a joint role as Beach Handball events usually have categories for both Men and Women at the same event.

How to register your interest:

Applicants must apply in writing addressing the relevant Criteria for Position (as listed in section of attached Position Description) and stating their credentials, experience and qualifications relative to the position applied for.

All applications are to be forwarded to the AHF via email, addressed to the Secretary General: sec-gen@handballaustralia.org.au and enclosing all relevant documents as attachments.

Equal opportunities:

The AHF is committed to equal opportunities in its employment policies, practices and procedures.

Closing date for applications: 21 September 2017.

Conditions of appointment:

Conditions of appointment for the position of National Team Managers:

- (a) The position is not at paid position.
- (b) The successful applicant will have accommodation, travel and approved expenses paid for his/her attendance at Qualification Tournaments, World Championships and any other events as are granted prior approval by the Board of the AHF.
- (c) The successful candidate must agree to attend the events and tournaments as outlined in (b) above.
- (d) Appointment will be subject to required compliance with the relevant Working With Children Checks in the candidate’s state of residence and nationally as required, pending camps, (as some squad members may be juniors). If the recommended candidate is an overseas applicant, compliance will be with the requirements of the AHF state of incorporation or the main state in which coaching/ management will occur. Persons previously convicted of a serious sex offence or any registerable offence cannot apply for this position.
- (e) All coaching and management positions will be governed by attainment of Key Performance Indicators (KPI) as set by the AHF Board. KPI's will include, but may not be limited to: setting and monitoring player fitness targets; communication with players, liaising with and reporting to management and the High Performance Manager as required; adhering to financial and budgetary constraints set by team management and the AHF; achieving technical and performance improvement in comparison to previous events and championships.

Period of appointment:

The successful candidate will be appointed for a period of up to four years aligning with two World Championship cycles, pending a favourable review after the first cycle.

NATIONAL TEAM MANAGER – Criteria for the Position:

1. Agreement to work within and abide by all AHF policies, guidelines and Standards, including the Code of Behaviour in the Member Protection Policy as are published and/or provided from time-to-time.
2. Proven ability to assist in the planning and conduct of an appropriate and effective Program for a representative National Team.
3. Proven ability to establish and maintain team harmony and discipline under conditions of intensive training and competitive pressure.
4. Proven ability to prioritise and manage the application of all available resources to achieve the most effective outcome for the team.
5. Proven ability to perform all key responsibilities and accountabilities as outlined below.
6. Demonstrated skills related to the position as outlined below.
7. Demonstrated behavioral competencies and qualities required for the position as outlined below.
8. Preparedness to accept the conditions of the appointment as outlined above.

NATIONAL TEAM MANAGER - Key responsibilities/accountabilities:

- All communication with State Association administrations, national squad members, AHF Board and any other relevant persons and organizations on behalf of the National Team Program in consultation with the AHF High Performance Committee.
- In consultation with the Coaching staff, formulate, prepare and distribute a suitable Program of training, competition and other events for the appointed period.
- Arrange and liaise with medical and support staff to ensure adequate resources are available to allow them to perform their job to the best possible standard.
- When necessary arrange for transportation of injured or ill players to an appropriate medical facility for treatment in consultation with medical and support staff.
- Organise all matters related to meals, snacks, hydration, etc for players and officials whilst in camp, training, competition and other events in consultation with coaching, medical and support staff.
- Manage the attendance of all participants (players and officials) at camps, training, competition and other events, including but not limited to arranging airline tickets and other transport, accommodation and facilities, in consultation with the AHF High Performance Manager.
- Manage the procurement, distribution, maintenance and security of National Team uniforms, including arranging laundry of such items (including other, personal items when possible) particularly during extended camps and overseas tours, noting that procurement of uniforms must be arranged in consultation with the AHF High Performance Manager.
- Provide guidance to players and officials in relation to equipment, clothing, personal effects, etc as required for travel in relation to camps, training, competition and other events.

- In relation to camps, training, competition and other events, prepare a schedule of activities and tasks and post and/or communicate its contents to all players and officials, on a daily basis, in consultation with coaching, medical and support staff.
- Prepare and maintain a budget in relation to the Program of training, competition and other events for the appointed period, in conjunction with the AHF High Performance Manager.
- Comply with AHF guidelines in relation to all income and expenditure related to the Program, in conjunction with the AHF High Performance Committee.
- Prepare reports on the activities of the Team, in an approved format, including a report on all financial matters, for the relevant period as specified by the AHF Board, in conjunction with the AHF High Performance Manager.
- Assist in the establishment and maintenance of team harmony and discipline under conditions of intensive training and competitive pressure, in accordance with AHF Policies and codes of conduct, in consultation with the AHF High Performance Manager and coaching staff.
- Ensure athletes are advised of limitations to travel and AHF insurance in regards to injuries received whilst training or in competition. Assist athletes with claim procedure if required.

NATIONAL TEAM MANAGER - Key skills required:

- Detailed knowledge of team management requirements.
- Experience in team management and operations.
- Proven management expertise and ability to lead a competitive team.
- Long-term interest and involvement in sport.
- Ability to work under pressure, working to timetables and budget.
- Report writing skills.
- Understanding of both domestic and international sport, particularly of beach handball.

NATIONAL TEAM MANAGER - Behavioral competencies and qualities required:

- Enthusiastic about the sport of beach handball
- Displays the highest levels of integrity and commitment
- Demonstrates an ability to deliver excellent results
- Demonstrates enjoyment in their work
- Values inclusiveness in all its forms
- A willingness to work in a spirit of partnership
- Flexible and adaptable in a dynamic environment
- Able to cope with unforeseen change
- Develop appropriate strategies in line with responsibilities
- Strong communicator
- Team player who can also work on own initiative
- Assertive and confident
- Detailed and organised in report writing and program preparation.
- Communicates effectively both externally and internally
- Works closely to deadlines
- Calm and effective demeanor in high pressure situations