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MPUMALANGA RUGBY UNION COACHING ACCREDITATION REGULATION AND POLICY

TO BECOME A COACH IN THE BORDERS OF THE MPUMALAMGA RUGBY UNION ALL COACHES MUST COMPLY TO THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

Rugby coaches include all:

1. Pumaki coaches,
2. Primary School coaches,
3. High School coaches,
4. Club coaches,
5. Youth Club coaches,
6. Community coaches,
7. Get Into Rugby coaches,
8. Woman's Rugby coaches,
9. Seven's coaches,
10. Strength and Conditioning coaches,
11. Death Rugby coaches,
12. Wheel chair Rugby coaches,
13. All other coaching who is part of the Mpumalanga Rugby Union involved in coaching.

1. All rugby coaches must be:

- a. BokSmart accredited.
- b. Annually registered and affiliated with the Mpumalanga Rugby Coaches Association,
- c. Have signed the Coaches Code of Conduct,
- d. Be a minimum age of 18 years,
- e. Have a minimum qualification World Rugby Level 1 certificate (not for Pumaki Rugby),
- f. Coaches who coach children (6 - 18 years) and women rugby players must have the following official clearance certificates:
 - i. Safeguarding awareness certificate,
 - ii. Police clearance for criminal offences,
 - iii. Child protection clearance certificate and
 - iv. Sex offender's clearance certificate. (ii and iii as stated in the National Child Protection & Sex Offenders Register Section 126 of South Africa Children's Act 38 of 2005.)
- g. Pumaki coaches must have World Rugby Coaching Children certificate to be able to coach,
- h. World Rugby Level 2 be accredited if he / she coaches at a school / club u/16, u/18, u/19, u/20, u/21 and senior team/s as prescribed by Boksmart "Age Banding Regulation",



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- i. To coach any provincial team at MRUCA, a coach must have a minimum of WR Level 2 coaching accreditation and valid BokSmart accreditation
- j. World Rugby Introduction to coaching online certificate,
- k. World Rugby Rugby Ready online certificate,
- l. do the online World Rugby Coaching Children, if you coach children,
- m. World Rugby Concussion management for general public online certificate,
- n. World Rugby Laws of the game online certificate,
- o. World Rugby Key factors online certificate and
- p. BokSmart tackle height online certificate.

2. All Club managers, Club Chairpersons, School Principals, School Rugby Organizers/Director Sport or Rugby must see that all the coaches at their clubs or school must adhere to this accreditation regulation policy. If a coach of a club or school does not adhere to this accreditation regulation policy, that coach / coaches cannot coach any rugby team in the MRU Region. Such clubs/schools that do not meet the requirements may forfeit their league points or be expelled from the league. Furthermore, legal action can also be taken against a club or school if the coach/s commits any criminal offence.

3. Training process of Coaches/Coaching:

- a. Any person wanting to coach in South Africa, has to become Boksmart certified. Should they not have this certification, they will NOT be allowed to coach anywhere until such certification has been completed.
- b. The next step is to complete the World Rugby Level 1 course. This course carries an attendance certificate only, but is compulsory to complete before a Level 2 course.
- c. The final phase of the coach education in BBRU, is to complete the World Rugby Level 2 course. This course is presented over 2 days and equips one to coach at a higher level. After the theoretical part, you must go back to your school/club and complete the logbook with 3 weeks practical sessions and 3 matches. When you have completed it, you must contact the MRUCA to make an appointment for your practical assessment.

An assessor will visit you to assess your practical coaching. This assessment must be done in the same year, in which you have attended the theoretical course.



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When you have passed the assessment, your report will be submitted by MRU to World Rugby. You will receive your Level 2 certificate about 1 week from the date that you have been assessed, on your profile at World Rugby Passport.

4. REFERENCE:

- a. SA Rugby: Coaching Accreditation Regulation and Policies, Sept 2012.
- b. Boksmart: National Rugby Safety Programme, 2011 en 2013.
- c. SASCOC: South African Coaching Framework.