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BSUK Coach Education Pathway

The Offer



CPD for Coaches

Baseball pitchers	Fastpitch softball pitchers	Slowpitch pitchers
Baseball/Fastpitch catchers	Hitters	Drills for beginner coaches
Running better practices	Planning a pre-season coaching block	Coaching in-season (slowpitch)

What do I need for my role? (Parent)

You say.....

I am a parent new to the game and I have been asked to help out with my child's team.

I am a parent confident with the rules of baseball or softball and I have been asked to help with my child's practice.

I have just taken over as coach of my child's team.

BSUK says.....

The BSUK Activator course would be ideal for you.

Why not try one of our CPD courses on the skill you are most interested in?

You should attend the Coach Award course, where you will learn everything you need to know to run a team.

What do I need for my role? (Parent)

You say.....

I am a parent and I would like to get the most up-to-date technical knowledge to help my son or daughter.

I am a parent who previously played college baseball or softball in the US and have many years experience coaching my son's or daughter's team.

BSUK says.....

The BSUK Coach Summit is the event for you.

You might be eligible for Recognition of Prior Learning. Please contact us directly.

What do I need for my role? (Teacher)

You say.....

I am a teacher and I want to understand the rules so I can set up some games.

I am a teacher who understands baseball or softball but I would like to learn more drills.

I am a teacher who understands the rules of baseball and softball but would like an equivalent of a Level 2 Coach Award.

BSUK says.....

The BSUK Activator course would be ideal for you.

Check out our CPD modules, especially 'Drills for Beginner Coaches', to get ideas for the best drills to run.

The Coach Award (Level 2) is the right course for you.

What do I need for my role? (Teacher)

You say.....

I am a teacher and I would like to learn from some of the top coaches and hear about the most up-to-date coaching techniques in baseball and softball.

I want my students to gain basic leadership skills so they can lead others.

BSUK says.....

The BSUK Coach Summit is the event for you.

Let's organise a Young Activator course at your school or college.

What do I need for my role? (Club Coach)

You say.....

I don't have any coaching qualifications but I would like to run some taster sessions at my club to encourage new participants to play.

I have the old BSUK Level 2 award but I am keen to learn new drills and activities.

I am a slowpitch softball coach but I struggle to coach my players once the busy league season has started.

BSUK says.....

We think the Activator course would be best, as you will cover the rules and learn how to run a game for new players plus some drills.

Try one of our CPD modules to learn the most up-to-date knowledge and drills.

Our CPD module Coaching In-season would be perfect for you.

What do I need for my role? (Club Coach)

You say.....

I coach at my club and would like to gain more technical knowledge and drills so I can help with sessions at practice.

My club has recently asked me to run some sessions on pitching, hitting or catching and I would like to have the most up-to-date knowledge as well as some drills I can take back to the club.

I have the old BSUK Level 1 award and I've now been given the opportunity to look after a team over a season.

BSUK says.....

Try one of our CPD modules to learn the most up-to-date knowledge and drills.

Book onto any or all of the CPD modules on pitching, hitting or catching.

The Coach Award (Level 2) will give you everything you need to know about coaching a team.

What do I need for my role? (Club Coach)

You say.....

I am the Head Coach for my club team and am responsible for running practices and selecting the line-up for games as well as introducing new players.

I would like to learn from some of the top coaches and learn the most up-to-date coaching techniques.

I have been coaching at my club for at least 10 years. I don't have a formal qualification and I don't want to attend a full course as I don't think it would be beneficial for me.

BSUK says.....

The Coach Award (Level 2) is perfect for you.

The BSUK Coach Summit is the event for you.

You might be eligible for Recognition of Prior Learning. Please contact us directly.

What do I need for my role? (Team Captain – Slowpitch Softball)

You say.....

I am a new captain this year and I could do with some guidance on what my main responsibilities are.

What is the best way to get my softball team ready for the new season?

As a team captain I find it really difficult to coach and provide my players with quality feedback once the season starts.

BSUK says.....

Come along to our Captains' Course where new and experienced team captains share information and ideas.

Book on the CPD module 'Planning a Pre-season Coaching Block'.

Our 'Coaching In-Season' CPD module is perfect for you.

What do I need for my role? (Coach Provider)

You say.....

I have a group of coaches who would like to learn the rules of baseball and softball and how to introduce the sports to new participants.

My coaches understand the rules and basics of baseball and softball but would like to learn more drills.

My coaches know the rules of baseball and softball but now need the equivalent of a Level 2 Coach Award.

BSUK says.....

The BSUK Activator course would be ideal for you.

Why not try one of our CPD courses on the skill or drill set you are most interested in?

The Coach Award (Level 2) would be ideal for you.

What do I need for my role? (Coach Provider)

You say.....

I would like my coaches to learn from some of the top coaches and learn the most up-to-date coaching techniques in baseball and softball.

BSUK says.....

The BSUK Coach Summit is the event for you.

What do I need for my role? (Player / Coach)

You say.....

I would like to start earning money as a coach facilitating corporate and other beginners' sessions.

I am a current baseball or softball player but I don't have a coaching qualification. I would like to start my coaching journey.

I am still playing baseball or softball but my club has asked me to coach the team in a Head Coach or Lead Coach role.

BSUK says.....

You should attend the BSUK Activator course.

Book on one the CPD modules -- they are a great place to start.

The Coach Award (Level 2) is just what you need.

What do I need for my role? (Player / Coach)

You say.....

I would like to hear from some of the top coaches and learn the most up-to-date coaching techniques in baseball and softball.

I am a very experienced player, having played for Team GB or overseas in a strong baseball or softball country. I don't think I need to attend a coaching course.

BSUK says.....

The BSUK Coach Summit is the event for you

You might be eligible for Recognition of Prior Learning. Please contact us directly.

What do I need for my role? (Coach from another sport)

You say.....

I have limited knowledge of baseball or softball but I want to be able to coach safe and fun sessions for others.

I would like to gain the equivalent of a Level 2 qualification in baseball and softball.

I would like to hear from some of the top coaches and learn the most up-to-date coaching techniques in baseball and softball.

BSUK says.....

You should attend the BSUK Activator course.

The Coach Award (Level 2) is just what you need.

The BSUK Coach Summit is the event for you.

What do I need for my role? (Experienced Coach)

You say.....

I am a very experienced coach, having coached or played for Team GB, or coached or played in a strong baseball or softball country, but I'd like to make sure my skills and knowledge are still right for introducing beginners to the sports.

I am an experienced coach, but I would really like to learn some new drills or hear a new perspective on how skills are being taught.

I am an experienced coach, but I don't yet have a coaching qualification. I'd like to take a course that will refresh my knowledge and make sure I am aware of all the most recent changes in coaching styles, behaviours and responsibilities.

BSUK says.....

You should attend the BSUK Activator course.

Book onto one the CPD modules; they are a great place to start to acquire the most up-to-date knowledge and drills.

The Coach Award (Level 2) is just what you need.

What do I need for my role? (Experienced Coach)

You say.....

I would like to hear from some of the top coaches and learn the most up-to-date coaching techniques in baseball and softball.

I have been coaching for at least five years, but I don't have a formal qualification and I don't want to attend a full course as I don't think it would be beneficial for me.

I have been coaching baseball or softball for many years and I would like to share my knowledge and experience with others.

BSUK says.....

The BSUK Coach Summit is the event for you.

You might be eligible for Recognition of Prior Learning. Please contact us directly.

Contact us directly to discuss how you might become a Coach Educator or work in one of our Academy programmes.

What do I need for my role? (University Student)

You say.....

My university requires us to have a qualified Level 2 Coach in our club or society.

As a student I don't really have the time or the money to take a Coach Award but I really want to improve as a coach.

I have just started a baseball or softball club at my university and I could do with some knowledge on recruiting and training beginners.

BSUK says.....

The Coach Award (Level 2) is just what you need.

Book on one the CPD modules. They are affordable and can be completed in an evening or a weekend.

The BSUK Activator course is perfect for you.

Young Activator

Introduction

This course aims to introduce the principles of leadership to young people by exploring how to engage and encourage new participants of all abilities to play baseball and softball, keeping sessions fun and focusing on participation through challenges and mini-games as well as skill development. The Activator may have a coaching background but the role is to facilitate activity, not to 'coach'.

Who is it suitable for?

- Young people who want to develop their leadership skills.
- Young people who want to deliver in festivals and tournaments.
- Young people that want to support extra-curricular activity.

What are the pre-requisites?

- Learners must be between 14 and 15 years of age.

Learning outcomes:

By the end of the course, learners will be able to:

- Introduce the basic rules and skills.
- Facilitate and lead a softball activity.
- Enthuse and engage people by building their confidence in playing.
- Understand the next steps to progress participants towards the game.

Young Activator

Why do the course?

- If you would like to learn the rules and skills needed to introduce baseball and softball as a game to new participants, this is the course for you!
- On achieving the award, you will be able to facilitate extra-curricular activities in baseball and softball in schools and community participation programmes under the guidance of a responsible adult.
- By attending and completing the course, you can gain a one-year membership of BSUK's Activator Licence Scheme.

Costs

- £55 per person (may be lower depending on the cost of the venue)

Teacher Activator

Introduction

This award will enable you to engage players of all abilities, keeping sessions fun and focusing on participation through challenges and mini-games as well as skill development and playing baseball and softball. The Activator may have a coaching background but the role is to facilitate activity, not to 'coach'.

Who is it suitable for?

- Those on PGCE pathways.
- Qualified teachers who would like to deliver fun and engaging baseball and softball participation sessions.

Learning outcomes:

By the end of the course, learners will be able to:

- Introduce the basic rules and skills.
- Facilitate and lead a softball activity.
- Enthuse and engage people by building their confidence in playing.
- Understand the next steps to progress participants towards the game.

Teacher Activator

Why do the course?

- If you would like to learn the rules and skills needed to introduce baseball and softball as a game to new participants, this is the course for you!
- By attending and completing the course, you can gain a one-year membership of BSUK's Activator Licence Scheme.

Costs

- £55 per person (may be lower depending on the cost of the venue)

Activator

Introduction

This award will enable you to engage players of all abilities, keeping sessions fun and focusing on participation through challenges and mini-games as well as skill development and playing baseball and softball. The Activator may have a coaching background, but the role is to facilitate activity, not to 'coach'.

Who is it suitable for?

- Parent-helpers.
- Those that deliver in a primary/secondary school/Further and Higher Education environment.
- Those involved in youth/community groups.
- Those wishing to become a Higher or Further Education Activator.

What are the pre-requisites?

- Learners must be a minimum of 16 years of age.

Learning outcomes:

By the end of the course, learners will be able to:

- Introduce the basic rules and skills.
- Facilitate and lead a softball activity.
- Enthuse and engage people by building their confidence in playing.
- Understand the next steps to progress participants towards the game.

Activator

Why do the course?

- It will prepare you for deployment as an Activator in baseball and softball.
- If you would like to learn the rules and skills needed to introduce baseball and softball as a game to new participants, this is the course for you!
- On achieving the award, you will be able to facilitate extra-curricular activities in baseball and softball within educational settings such as schools, Further/Higher Education and community participation programmes.
- By attending and completing the course, you can gain a one-year membership of BSUK's Activator Licence Scheme.

Costs

- £55 per person (may be lower depending on the cost of the venue)

Coach Award (Level 2)

Introduction

This course has been developed specifically for club coaches that need to plan, deliver and evaluate a series of linked and progressive coaching sessions. It is a combined course designed for both baseball and softball coaches.

Who is it suitable for?

- Coaches who are responsible for teams over a season, including running practices, selecting line-ups and planning preseason training.
- Assistant coaches who lead on skill areas or plan other areas of practice.
- Coaches that want to take responsibility for the ongoing development of players.
- Coaches wishing to work independently or as a licensed coach.
- Coaches who need the equivalent of a Level 2 qualification or Award.
- Experienced players looking to become a qualified coach.
- Coaches with the old BSUK Level 1 qualification who are looking for the next step in their development.

What are the pre-requisites?

- Learners must be a minimum of 18 years of age.
- Learners must attend one of the Pitching CPD modules (baseball, fastpitch or slowpitch) plus one other CPD module prior to certification. The cost of attending each CPD course is included as part of the Coach Award, but if you choose to use the BSUK Coach Summit for your second CPD module then you must cover the full cost of attending the Summit.
- Learners must have a coach licence prior to certification.
- It is advised that learners should have some previous experience coaching or have attended previous courses.

Coach Award / (Level 2)

Learning outcomes:

By the end of the course learners will be able to:

- Explain the role of the coach in baseball and softball and how this differs for different participants' needs.
- Lead sessions, either on their own or as part of a coaching staff, developing skills, knowledge and confidence.
- Plan and deliver effective practices, taking into account time and space considerations, safety, age-specific needs, time of year, the development stage of participants and sport-specific needs.
- Understand the basic safety requirements when teaching pitching and catching in baseball, fastpitch and slowpitch softball.
- Teach the fundamental and generic skills of throwing and catching, hitting, playing infield, playing outfield and baserunning.
- Understand the basic principles of coaching and be able to inform athletes on health and lifestyle issues, including warming up and cooling down, nutrition, hydration, strength and conditioning, and the dangers of using performance-enhancing drugs.

Why do this course:

- You will learn everything you need to know about running practices and organising your team for an entire season.
- You will learn how to creatively run practices, making the best use of time and space to engage participants of all abilities.
- You will earn a coaching qualification that is recognised by BaseballSoftballUK, the British Baseball Federation and the British Softball Federation.
- You will interact with and learn from your peers while receiving the most up-to-date information on coaching techniques.
- You will become a better, more well-rounded coach because of this course.
- This course has been developed in partnership with Great Britain Baseball and GB Softball.

Cost:

- £290 - £350 depending on venue cost / location.
- There are often grants or bursaries available from your local Council or County Sports Partnership.

Baseball Pitchers - CPD

Introduction:

This course has been developed specifically for baseball coaches looking for an introduction to developing pitchers using 'The GB Way' methodology.

Who is it suitable for?

- Coaches who wish to get an understanding of what drills and teaching methods Great Britain Baseball uses when developing pitchers.
- Coaches who want to share knowledge in a practical environment.
- Baseball coaches who wish to become specialist pitching coaches.
- Parents who wish to learn more technical information on how they can help their child develop as a pitcher.

What are the pre-requisites?

- Learners must be a minimum of 16 years old.
- It is advised that very inexperienced coaches should take either 'The Activator Award' or 'Drills for Beginner Coaches - CPD Clinic'.
- Coaches working towards their 'Coach Award - Level 2' must take either this course or one of the other pitching CPD clinics in order complete their award.

Baseball Pitchers - CPD

Learning outcomes:

By the end of the course, learners will be able to:

- Explain the basic mechanics of the pitching delivery.
- Teach a four-seam fastball, two-seam fastball and change-up.
- Identify and correct common mistakes in the pitching delivery from the stretch position.
- Instruct a simplified version of GB Baseball's long toss programme to develop arm strength.
- Support players with basic pre- and post-throwing arm care to reduce the risk of injury.

Why do this course?

- The course will give practical ideas on how to work with and improve the pitchers you coach.
- The course will give you a basic understanding of what Great Britain Baseball looks for and implements when developing pitchers.
- Through this course, you will gain the knowledge to improve your players' arm strength while reducing the risk of injury.

Cost:

- £35 per person.
- £20 per person if clubs provide a facility for the course.

Introduction:

This course has been developed specifically for fastpitch softball coaches looking for an introduction to developing pitchers, using the same techniques and methodology as Great Britain Softball.

Who is it suitable for?

- Coaches who wish to get an understanding of the drills, teaching methods and rationale Great Britain Softball uses when developing fastpitch softball pitchers.
- Coaches who want to share knowledge in a practical environment.
- Softball coaches who wish to become specialist fastpitch pitching coaches.
- Parents who wish to learn more technical information on how they can help their child develop as a fastpitch softball pitcher.

What are the pre-requisites?

- Learners must be a minimum of 16 years old.
- It is advised that very inexperienced coaches should take either 'The Activator Award' or 'Drills for Beginner Coaches - CPD Clinic'.
- Coaches working towards their 'Coach Award - Level 2' must take either this course or one of the other pitching CPD clinics in order complete their award.

Learning outcomes:

By the end of the course, learners will be able to:

- Explain the basic mechanics of the fastpitch pitching delivery.
- Teach a four-seam fastball and change-up.
- Identify and correct common mistakes in the pitching delivery.
- Utilise drills to develop arm strength.
- Support players with basic pre- and post-throwing arm care to reduce the risk of injury.

Why do this course?

- The course will give you practical ideas on how to work with and improve the pitchers you coach.
- The course will give you a basic understanding of what Great Britain Softball looks for and implements when developing fastpitch softball pitchers.
- Through this course, you will learn how to improve your players' arm strength while reducing the risk of injury.

Cost:

- £35 per person.
- £20 per person if clubs provide a facility for the course.

Slowpitch Softball Pitchers - CPD

Introduction:

This course has been developed specifically for slowpitch softball coaches looking for an introduction to developing pitchers, using the techniques and methodology employed by Great Britain Slowpitch.

Who is it suitable for?

- Coaches who wish to get an understanding of what drills, teaching methods and rationale Great Britain Slowpitch uses when developing slowpitch softball pitchers.
- Coaches who want to share knowledge in a practical environment.
- Softball coaches who wish to become specialist slowpitch pitching coaches.

What are the pre-requisites?

- Learners must be a minimum of 16 years old.
- It is advised that very inexperienced coaches should take either 'The Activator Award' or 'Drills for Beginner Coaches - CPD Clinic'.
- Coaches working towards their 'Coach Award - Level 2' must take either this course or one of the other pitching CPD clinics in order complete their award.

Slowpitch Softball Pitchers - CPD

Learning outcomes:

By the end of the course, learners will be able to:

- Explain the basic mechanics of the slowpitch pitching delivery.
- Teach forward spin, reverse spin and knuckle ball
- Identify and correct common mistakes in the pitching delivery.
- Utilise drills to develop the pitchers you work with.

Why do this course?

- The course will give you practical ideas on how to work with and improve the pitchers you coach.
- The course will give you a basic understanding of what Great Britain Slowpitch looks for and implements when developing slowpitch softball pitchers.
- Through this course, you will learn how to improve your players' pitching technique and how to safely introduce beginners to slowpitch pitching.

Cost:

- £35 per person.
- £20 per person if clubs provide a facility for the course.

Baseball/Fastpitch Catchers - CPD

Introduction:

This course has been developed specifically for baseball and fastpitch softball coaches looking for an introduction to developing catchers using 'The GB Way' methodology for baseball and GB Softball's techniques for fastpitch.

Who is it suitable for?

- Coaches who wish to get an understanding of the drills, teaching methods and rationale GB Baseball and GB Softball use when developing catchers.
- Coaches who want to share knowledge in a practical environment.
- Baseball and softball coaches who wish to become specialist catching coaches.
- Parents who wish to learn more technical information on how they can help their child develop as a catcher in either baseball or fastpitch softball.

What are the pre-requisites?

- Learners must be a minimum of 16 years old.
- It is advised that very inexperienced coaches should take either 'The Activator Award' or 'Drills for Beginner Coaches - CPD Clinic'.

Baseball/Fastpitch Catchers - CPD

Learning outcomes:

By the end of the course, learners will be able to:

- Explain the basic stance mechanics of catching in baseball and fastpitch softball when giving signs, with no runners on base and with runners on base.
- Utilise drills to develop basic receiving skills.
- Teach safe mechanics for blocking balls in the dirt.
- Utilise drills to develop footwork and arm strength for throwing to bases.

Why do this course?

- The course will provide practical ideas on how to work with and improve the catchers you coach.
- The course will give you a basic understanding of what Great Britain Baseball and Great Britain Softball look for and implement when developing catchers.
- Through this course, you will learn how to improve your catchers' arm strength while reducing the risk of injury.

Cost:

- £35 per person.
- £20 per person if clubs provide a facility for the course.

Hitters - CPD

Introduction:

This course has been developed specifically for baseball and softball coaches looking for an introduction to coaching hitters using the 'The GB Way' coaching methodology for baseball and the fundamental techniques employed by Great Britain Softball.

Who is it suitable for?

- Coaches who wish to get an understanding of the drills and teaching methods Great Britain Baseball and Softball use when developing hitters.
- Coaches who want to share knowledge in a practical environment.
- Baseball and softball coaches who wish to become specialist hitting coaches.
- Parents who wish to learn more technical information on how they can help their child develop as a hitter.

What are the pre-requisites?

- Learners must be a minimum of 16 years old.
- It is advised that very inexperienced coaches should take either 'The Activator Award', 'Drills for Beginner Coaches - CPD Clinic' or the 'Club Coach / (Level 2) Award'.

Hitters - CPD

Learning outcomes:

By the end of the course, learners will be able to:

- Explain the basic mechanics of hitting.
- Recognise the similarities between a baseball, fastpitch and slowpitch swing.
- Identify and correct common mistakes hitters make.
- Utilise different drills and equipment to teach hitting.
- Explain the concept of a 'quality at-bat' and how it relates to baseball, fastpitch or slowpitch softball.

Why do this course?

- The course will give you practical ideas on how to work with and improve your hitters.
- The course will give you a basic understanding of what Great Britain Baseball and Great Britain Softball look for and implement when developing hitters.
- Through this course, you will learn how to improve your players' success at the plate.

Cost:

- £35 per person.
- £20 per person if clubs provide a facility for the course.

Drills for Beginner Coaches - CPD

Introduction:

This course is aimed at new baseball and softball coaches. It will provide coaches with a set of drills to improve fundamental baseball and softball skills, including throwing and catching, fielding ground balls and fly balls, and hitting.

Who is it suitable for?

- People who are new to coaching baseball or softball.
- Coaches looking for a sound understanding of basic fundamentals and new drills to reinforce key points.
- Coaches who want to learn new and creative drills to implement with their club, team or league.
- Parents who have never played baseball or softball and want an introduction to skills and drills appropriate for teaching players of all abilities.
- Club coaches who wish to reinforce 'The GB Way' for baseball and implement methodologies used by GB Softball.
- Coaches who wish to remain current on why and how fundamentals are taught.

What are the pre-requisites?

- Learners must be a minimum of 16 years old.
- Learners need to be passionate and inquisitive about learning new drills for playing catch, infield, outfield, hitting and pitching.
- Very inexperienced coaches may first want to take 'The Activator Award' to ensure rules and game play knowledge is sound.

Drills for Beginner Coaches - CPD

Learning outcomes:

By the end of the course, learners will be able to:

- Understand what makes a drill great, and be able to deliver engaging and safe drills.
- Be able to coach throwing and catching skills using a variety of drills.
- Be able to coach drills to develop ground ball fielding skills.
- Be able to coach drills to develop fly ball fielding skills.
- Be able to coach drills to develop hitting skills.

Why do this course?

- The course will provide practical ideas on new and engaging drills to run with participants of all skill levels.
- It is a great introduction to coaching if you haven't coached much previously.
- You will learn the fundamentals of what Great Britain Baseball and Softball teach at multiple positions.

Cost:

- £35 per person.
- £20 per person if clubs provide a facility for the course.

Running Better Practices - CPD

Introduction:

This course is aimed at baseball and softball coaches looking to enhance their practice planning and delivery. It will provide coaches with a well-rounded view of what constitutes a great practice, including the use of multiple coaches and a set of new drills to take back to your next session.

Who is it suitable for?

- Coaches who wish to plan and deliver fun and engaging practices.
- Coaches who want to learn new creative drills to implement with their club, team or league.
- Parents who have never played baseball or softball and want an introduction to skills and drills appropriate for teaching players of all abilities.
- Club coaches who wish to learn how to operate as part of a coaching staff.
- Coaches who believe practice is one of the best parts about baseball and softball!

What are the pre-requisites?

- Learners must be a minimum of 16 years old.
- Inexperienced coaches may wish to take 'The Activator Award' or 'Drills for Beginner Coaches - CPD Clinic' before attending.

Learning outcomes:

By the end of the course, learners will be able to:

- Understand what constitutes a great practice and how to plan and deliver practices that are fun and engaging.
- Be able to utilise a coaching staff to run multiple stations as part of a wider practice session.
- Progress skill development throughout practices and across a season.
- Be able to adapt to different numbers so that practice is great regardless of how many people show up.

Why do this course?

- The course will provide practical ideas on new and engaging drills to run with participants of all skill levels.
- Because of this course, your practices will ensure better skill progression and development.
- After this course, players on your team will place more value on turning up to training.

Cost:

- £35 per person.
- £20 per person if clubs provide a facility for the course.

Planning your Pre-season Block - CPD

Introduction:

This course is aimed at baseball and softball coaches looking to run a block of progressive training sessions designed to get their team ready for the coming season. It will provide coaches with a well-rounded view of what constitutes a pre-season training block, including delegating responsibility to a coaching staff and learning new drills to take back to your club or league team.

Who is it suitable for?

- Coaches who wish to plan and deliver a pre-season training block or programme.
- Coaches who wish to understand how to use multiple assistant coaches.
- Coaches looking to develop advanced planning skills.

What are the pre-requisites?

- Learners must be a minimum of 16 years old.
- Coaches may wish to take the 'Drills for Beginner Coaches' and 'Running Better Practices' - CPD Clinics before attending.

Planning your Pre-season Block - CPD

Learning outcomes:

By the end of the course, learners will be able to:

- Plan and deliver a pre-season coaching block for their club.
- Assign coaches to different responsibilities throughout pre-season training.
- Identify a team's most important areas for improvement so that these can be prioritised.

Why do this course?

- The course will give you the tools and knowledge to run the best Spring Training / preseason block for your team
- Using the skills learned on this course no stone will be left unturned in preparing your team for opening day
- You will share information and advanced planning skills with likeminded coaches

Cost:

- £35 per person.
- £20 per person if clubs provide a facility for the course.

Coaching In-season (Slowpitch Softball) - CPD

Introduction

This course is aimed at slowpitch softball coaches who, between midweek league games and weekend tournaments, struggle to find times to coach their players and provide quality feedback.

Who is it suitable for?

- Slowpitch softball coaches who would like creative ways to coach their players mid-season before and after games and during tournaments.
- Slowpitch softball coaches who wish to find creative ways of providing feedback during warm-ups and post-game conversations.

What are the pre-requisites?

- Learners must be a minimum of 16 years old.
- Coaches may wish to take the 'Drills for Beginner Coaches' and 'Running Better Practices' CPD Clinics or even the Club Coach / (Level 2) Award before attending.

Coaching In-season (Slowpitch Softball) - CPD

Learning outcomes:

By the end of the course, learners will be able to:

- Run effective pre-game routines, including batting practice and throwing routines that will prepare your players for the game but also provide opportunities to coach.
- Understand the right moments to provide feedback and the types of feedback to give during games and tournaments.
- Understand the types of questioning and post-game reviews that can help players reflect on their performance.

Why do this course?

- If you find it difficult to coach your players once the season has started, then this is the course for you.
- You will be able to turn your normal warm-ups into a dynamic pre-game routine.
- You will be able to learn from and share ideas with other slowpitch coaches looking to develop their players during the playing season.

Cost:

- £35 per person.
- £20 per person if clubs provide a facility for the course.

Captains Course (Slowpitch Softball) - CPD

Introduction

This course is aimed at new slowpitch softball captains who are keen to get up to speed on their main responsibilities as well as how to maintain the right team dynamic throughout the softball season.

Who is it suitable for?

- New slowpitch softball captains who would like to learn the basics of captaincy, including their main responsibilities and how to find the right team balance.
- Experienced slowpitch softball captains who wish to share thoughts and ideas on the challenges of captaincy, as well as mentoring new captains.

What are the pre-requisites?

- Learners must be a minimum of 16 years old.
- Captains may wish to take the 'Coaching In-season (Slowpitch Softball)' CPD clinic.

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Learning outcomes:

By the end of the course, learners will be able to:

- Understand the main responsibilities of a slowpitch softball captain.
- Select the best team/line-up available to them on the day.
- Understand how to find ways of welcoming new people into the team and ensuring they feel both welcome and valued.

Why do this course?

- As a new captain, this course will give you everything you need to know to be ready for your first season in charge.
- This course is a great way to network with other slowpitch softball captains and learn the most up to date knowledge and information on pre game preparations
- You will be able to learn from and share ideas with other slowpitch coaches looking to develop their players during the playing season.

Cost:

- £35 per person.
- £20 per person if clubs provide a facility for the course.

BSUK Coach Summit

Introduction

The BaseballSoftballUK Coach Summit is a unique opportunity for the baseball, fastpitch and slowpitch softball coaching community to attend talks, workshops and networking events featuring some of the best speakers and facilitators the sports have to offer from the UK and around the world.

The BSUK Coach Summit dates, location and booking form can be found online

<http://baseballsoftballuk.com/coachsummit17>

Who is it suitable for?

- Baseball, fastpitch and slowpitch softball coaches who want to hear the most up-to-date information on coaching styles, techniques and ideas.
- Coaches from other sports who want to learn from some of the best baseball and softball coaches.
- Players, parents and coaches new to coaching who want to get information on what they can do to help players improve.

What are the pre-requisites?

- There are no pre-requisites to attend the BSUK Coach Summit but coaches who hold a BSUK Coach Licence will receive a discount.

BSUK Coach Summit

Learning outcomes:

By the end of the Coach Summit, learners will:

- Have heard the most up-to-date insights and information on baseball and softball coaching.
- Have networked with other coaches and peers.
- Understand the BSUK coaching system and how they can access more coach education opportunities.

Why attend the Coach Summit?

- You will get to hear the most up-to-date information on coaching styles, techniques and ideas.
- Coaches from other sports will be able to learn from high-level baseball and softball coaches.
- Players and coaches new to coaching will receive information on what they can do to help players improve.
- Parents and parent/coaches will hear about drills and techniques they can use to help players improve.

Cost:

- £80.
- £50 for BSUK-licensed coaches.
- £50 for students.