Skilled assessors are a critical component of a quality coach and official development system. Good assessors create a supportive environment that encourages learning through the assessment process.

Assessors provide a valuable role within the National Coaching Accreditation Scheme (NCAS) and National Officiating Accreditation Scheme (NOAS) as part of competency-based training.

**What is the Assessor Training program?**

The Australian Sports Commission’s (ASC’s) Assessor Training program provides a standard of training of assessors. The essential components of the program include how to plan and organise an assessment and assessing the competence of a coach or official.

**Who is the program aimed at?**

The ASC Assessor Training program is aimed at people who will be assessing coaches and officials within their sport. This program has been aligned with many of the Certificate IV in Training and Assessment competencies.

**What is covered in the program?**

The program is designed to assist assessors improve their skills in planning the assessment process, gathering evidence for assessment, providing feedback, developing assessment tools and reviewing and validating assessment.

**How can I enrol in the program?**

The program is available through state and territory departments of sport and recreation. Some state and national sporting organisations also deliver the program as part of their sport-specific assessor training. Contact details for your state or territory department of sport and recreation can be found at ausport.gov.au/coachofficial

**How can I further improve my skills as an assessor?**

The ASC’s Assessor Training Manual can be purchased through the online AIS Shop (shop.ausport.gov.au). Topics covered in the manual include types of assessment, evidence in assessment, giving feedback, developing assessment tools, recognition of prior learning and methods of reviewing assessment.

For more information on developing coaches and officials, go to ausport.gov.au/coachofficial

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