

# Frequently Asked Questions

## Coach Development Framework

### 1. What has changed in the refreshed framework?

The new framework has several changes that will increase the accessibility of coach development and enable practical modules to be more interactive with greater on-court time. The changes include:

- Rationalisation in the number of modules
- Introduction of 'blended learning' combining online self-paced learning and practical components
- Introduction of formalised awards while still allowing for continuous learning

### 2. Rationale for change

The current framework is over 9 years old and during this time there have been changes to ways coaches are developed, online educational tools have advanced, and we understand the topic demand for squash coaches. It is now the time to take advantage of these tools and methods to provide greater access to development for coaches.

### 3. What will the change mean for coaches?

Moving forward coaches will have access to more development opportunities online that can be accessed anytime and done at their own pace. When attending practical modules, participants will spend more time on court. When coaches engage in these development opportunities they can pick what they're interested in or work towards an award.

### 4. When does the refreshed framework come into effect?

A phased approach will take place over the next 12 months with online modules progressively added to the online learning platform. Practicals for each coaching community will be available based on demand after the relevant online content has been made available.

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### **5. How long will an award be valid?**

Individual modules and awards will be valid for three years from the date of completion.

### **6. Are the previous modules still valid?**

Yes, they will be valid for three years until December 31st, 2023.

### **7. Can previous modules be used to gain awards?**

Yes, previous modules which have similar content to the new modules can be used towards an award while they are still valid. If you would like further information concerning, your situation please email [coaching@squashnz.co.nz](mailto:coaching@squashnz.co.nz)

### **8. How will I know when practicals will be run?**

Practicals will be advertised through Squash New Zealand, districts and emailed directly to coaches who use the online learning system.

### **9. How do I monitor my progress?**

Coaches can track their record of learning in the online learning platform.

### **10. What Involvement will my squash district have in coach development?**

Districts will communicate with coaches about upcoming development opportunities.

### **11. Will the old modules still be delivered?**

No the old modules have been incorporated into the new framework.

### **12. What devices can you do the online modules on?**

The online modules are optimised for desktops, laptops and tablets.