

Australian Swimming Coaches and Teachers Association Release of Teacher and Coach Accreditation Information Policy **Version 1.0**

Under ASCTA's privacy requirements as endorsed by its members, when questioned ASCTA staff are permitted to verify the currency of Swim Australia™ Teacher and swimming Coach accreditations with respect to a specific person.

Responses to requests are limited to, if accreditation is current and when such accreditation may expire. No information about historical expirations or past accreditations is to be provided.

Further clarification as to what accreditations are currently held including specialist or extension accreditations such as Baby and Toddlers; Adolescents and Adults; Learners with Disability; Coaching Adults; Coaching Swimmers with Disability or Coaching Open water Swimmers may be provided.

Initial accreditation for both Teachers and Coaches is for 4 years after which a process of reaccreditation is required.

In all instances Swim Australia™ accredited Teachers including specialist Baby and Toddlers; Adolescents and Adults, Competitive Swimming or Learners with Disability Teachers should be able to provide a certificate showing date of issue and date of expiration.

All swimming Coaches should be able to provide a certificate showing an initial accreditation date and expiration date and accreditation level. Coaches are accredited for 4 years but are required to renew their Coaching Licence every year. This is gained via the Coach renewing their ASCTA premium membership annually and submitting the required reaccreditation evidence every 4 years. This can be evidenced by the Coach providing a current ASCTA Coach Licence Card. This "year dated" Card is colour coded to match the accreditation level of the Coach.

A Coach Licence is evidence to employers, clubs, parents and others of the Coach's:

- Commitment to ongoing professional development
- Membership of Swimming Australia Ltd. (SAL)
- Ability to gain pool deck access at SAL sanctioned swim meets
- Currency of accreditation
- Agreement and compliance to member welfare, child welfare and professional conduct standards and policies of the industry
- Knowledge, experience and performance within the profession