

Coach Recognition Criteria

The following are minimum requirements for recognition at each level. All Silver and Gold applications need to be signed off by a State Swimming Association staff member or SCTA Branch President who is able to verify performances. All applications will be assessed by a sub-committee of the SCTA Board. Platinum will be approved by the SCTA Board.

Level	Coach achievement	plus ... Athlete achievement requirement
Platinum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hold Gold Coach recognition 	Primary coach of an Australian individual medalist at Olympics or World Champs (Olympic events); OR Primary coach of an Australian individual gold medalist at Paralympics, or Para World Champs (Paralympic events)
Gold	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hold Silver Coach Recognition Coach athlete(s) at national open champs or higher; and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend a State development opportunity (e.g. SCTA Conference, State Development Camp etc.). 	Primary Coach of at least 6 Australian swimmers competing in individual events at Australian Swimming Champs (<i>Long Course Olympic, Long Course Paralympic and/or Open Water events – not Short Course</i>) Plus Primary coach of either: <i>For Able Body Swimmers:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) 4 individual Australian swimmers who compete in a long course final (Olympic events) at Australian Trials; or b) 2 individual medallists in a long course final (Olympic events) at Australian Trials; or c) 1 individual swimmer selected on an Australian open team. <i>Or for Para Swimmers:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Australian Team coach at a Paralympics or Para World Champs with an athlete on that team; or b) an athlete who achieves a world record in a recognised Paralympic games event; or c) an athlete who wins a Paralympic or World Champs (Paralympic events) individual medal. <i>Or for Open Water Swimmers</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> an athlete who achieves selection on the Australian Open Water Swimming Team in the 10k event at the FINA World Champs and/or the Olympic Games.
Silver	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coach athletes at national age competition or higher; Hold Bronze recognition and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend a State development opportunity (e.g. SCTA Conference, State Development Camp etc.). 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Primary Coach of at least six (6) individual swimmers who: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Achieve a qualifying time for the Australian Age or Open Champs or Trials (long course); or Achieve a top 10 performance at Open Australian Open Water Swimming Champs 10km or 5km events; or Swim in a Multi Class Final at the Australian Champs (open/long course) from 2012 onwards. <i>Or for Multiclass Swimmers:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Primary Coach of at least one (1) athlete selected to represent Australia at either the IPC World Champs or the Paralympic Games from 2008 Paralympics onwards OR Primary Coach of an athlete achieving an individual medal winning performance at the Deaflympics or equivalent. <i>Or for Open Water Swimmers</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Primary Coach for an athlete achieving a medal winning performance at the Open Australian Open Water Champs in 10km or 5km events.
Bronze	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coach athletes to State/ metro/ country champs or attend State development opportunity Hold SA Development Accreditation 	Nil

Primary Coach means that at least 85% of each swimmer's training program is directly planned and supervised by the Coach claiming credit for that performance for a period of at least 90 days prior to the competition in which the performance was achieved.

Note: Coaches who consistently develop high quality and successful swimmers who moved onto other coaches or achieve commendable results in remote areas may also apply for Gold or Silver with details of the athletes they have coached and their successes. These applications will be assessed by a sub-committee of the ASCTA Board.