



ISF-NFCA
2nd INTERNATIONAL COACHING COLLEGE



ISF Advanced Clinic/Course

WHAT

ISF-NFCA INTERNATIONAL COACHES COLLEGE

- The International Softball Federation has partnered with the National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) to create a coaching course concept – The International Coaches College.
- This four (4) day coaching course is custom made for National Team level coaches and specializes in topics like Practical Offensive & Defensive Strategy, Hitting, Practice Concepts, and Pitching.

**WHEN &
WHERE**

**THREE (3) SESSIONS IN 2007/08 WITHIN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING
REGIONS, LOCATIONS & DATES:**

- August 30 –September 2, 2007 – (OCEANIA/ASIA – Canberra, Australia)
- December 13–16, 2007 – (AMERICAS – Plant City, Florida, USA)
- January 9–13, 2008 – (EUROPE/AFRICA – TBD)

WHO

**COACHES ELIGIBLE TO ATTEND ARE THOSE AUTHORIZED BY THEIR
NATIONAL FEDERATION.**

- The content and level of information will be advanced and directed toward National Team Coaches (either head or assistant), primarily those that have participated in ISF World Championships and/or Olympic Games.
- A coach must be authorized by their National Softball Federation to be eligible to attend (*this includes head & assistant national team adult and/or youth coaches as well as any elite club team coaches that the federation authorizes to attend*).
- Head Coaches as well as Assistant Coaches are eligible to attend if authorized by their National Federation.
- Coaches of both Women’s AND Men’s teams are encouraged to attend.

HOW IS THE ISF COACHING COLLEGE DIFFERENT FROM THE STANDARD CLINICS/COURSES CONDUCTED ALREADY BY THE ISF?

	ISF–NFCA INTERNATIONAL COACHING COLLEGE	STANDARD ISF COACHING CLINIC/COURSE
# of Instructors	3	1
Target Audience	National Team Coaches & advanced club level coaches	All coaches within the federation no matter what knowledge or skill level
Objective	Better educate the elite coaches within each federation or association to improve their success in international competition against the top teams in the world.	Teach local coaches more about softball
Subjects Covered	Practical Offense and Strategy Practical Defense and Strategy Hitting Practice Organization Pitching <i>(NOTE: This course is intended to train advanced level coaches for the skills they need to succeed at an elite regional and international level. WE WILL NOT BE COVERING THE BASIC SKILLS)</i>	Fielding Throwing Hitting Pitching Bunting Team Defense Drills <i>(NOTE: These clinics/courses are always focused on covering the basic softball skills and do not allow time to go in-depth into the advanced strategy and hitting skills necessary for coaches and teams to improve their performance both regionally and internationally.)</i>
Written Material Provided?	200+ page manual detailing all material covered over the five days for each participant to take home	Usually no written material provided participants
Certification?	ISF International Coaching College diploma provided for all participants that successfully pass the test upon course conclusion.	No diploma provided

FINANCES –

- There will be no registration cost for participants to attend these Coaching Colleges.
- The ISF will pay for the housing and for lunch each day for all participants given the following criteria:
 - Each Coaching College is limited to 40 participants
 - There will be two (2) participants per room as assigned by the ISF

- Any participants wanting their own room will have to pay half of the costs of their room (payment must be received ahead of time).
- The participants (or their federation) will pay travel to and from the Coaching College site, as well as their daily breakfast (if not included with hotel) and dinner.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS –

What Level Will This Coaching College Be?

- All the information presented is advanced level and is aimed at helping national team coaches. Any beginning level coaches in attendance will just have to try and keep up as we cannot repeat or provide background information regarding the items or material covered.

Who Can Attend?

- Any national team or elite level club team coach that has approval from their federation is eligible to attend.

How Much Does It Cost a Participant To Attend?

- There is no registration cost and the ISF is providing housing and daily lunch so the only cost to the participant is their travel expense and their breakfast and dinner.

How Many Coaches Can the Host Federation Have Enrolled?

- We are limiting the size of each Coaching College Course to 40 coaches

Who Will Handle the Registration?

- All registrations will be handled directly by the ISF who will notify each site on a regular basis as to the size of their course. Coaches will receive their Participant Manual and name tag at the Kick-Off Welcome Reception the night before the Coaching College begins.

REGISTRATION – The registration form is available [here](#). If you are interested in reserving a spot for up to two (2) coaches from your Federation, please complete and return this registration form as soon as possible.

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