



Wales Rugby League – Under 19’s National Pathway – Head Coach

As part of the Wales Rugby League strategic plan and working with Sport Wales ‘Vision for Sport’ an exciting opportunity has arisen at the WRL, the national governing body for Rugby League in Wales. We are seeking to appoint a Head Coach to lead our Under 19’s programme and to work with WRL to recruit a team of support staff.

This position will require International travel and all applicants must hold a full valid passport, driving licence and have access to a vehicle.

Reports to Paul Berry, Head of Youth

Contact; paul.berry@walesrugbyleague.co.uk

Salary: Volunteer

Term: through the U19s Euros in 2024 and 4 Nations Competition in 2025. (To be reviewed after the 2024 competition).

Location: Various sites across North and South Wales

Deadline: 5pm Monday 30th October 2023.

Benefits

In return for your efforts we offer agreed expenses and benefits which include:

- Free Entry to all WRL Games
- Free International Tickets for all Wales Home games
- Wales Rugby League Training and Leisure Kit
- A chance to create a positive legacy as part of an exciting organisation.

Purpose of the Role

- To lead the planning, preparation and coaching of players and staff within the Wales U19s representative programme.

Principal Duties and Activities

- To plan and deliver a yearly training schedule with support of WRL Staff.
- To plan and lead the squad selection and ID process.
- Along with the team manager, generate external income and revenue streams and manage the teams income and expenditure throughout the year.
- To lead in the planning, implementation and review of all training sessions regarding the technical and tactical delivery to the squad and preparation of the team prior to fixtures.
- Remain aware and take responsibility for players’ technical, tactical, physical and mental preparation in conjunction with the relevant Wales Rugby League staff.
- Link with the team manager to ensure the pastoral welfare and individual needs are accounted for.

- To assist in the monitoring and evaluation of individual player performance in conjunction with other coaching team members / Wales Rugby League staff.
- To provide ongoing feedback and performance reviews to players in conjunction with other team members / Wales Rugby League staff.
- Undertake such duties, as maybe required from time to time, as are consistent with the post and needs of Wales Rugby League.

Essential Experience and Specialist Knowledge

- The ability to deliver technical and tactical plans of a high standard to ensure effective preparation and participation in an elite competition.
- Excellent communication skills with both players and staff.
- Experience of coaching within an elite and / or performance environment.
- Ability to operate in a remote management environment with first class administration skills.
- Video analysis, editing and presentation skills.

Desirable Knowledge

- Experience of overseas travel with a touring squad.
- Knowledge of the South Wales community game.
- A good working knowledge of IT including ability to work with common Microsoft packages.
- Experience of coaching within international programmes.

Education and Training

- A full, valid driving licence.
- Rugby Football League UKCC Level 2 Coach (Working towards and other sports will be considered).
- Up to date DBS.
- Safeguarding and Protecting Children (SPC) course.

How to Apply

This is a volunteer position. To apply, please send CV, covering letter and contact details of 2 x references to WRL Head of Youth, Paul Berry - paul.berry@walesrugbyleague.co.uk by 5pm, Monday 30th October 2023.

If you are an applicant with disability who meets the essential requirements of the job, we will interview you. The Wales Rugby League welcomes applications from all suitably qualified persons regardless of Age, Sex, Race, Disability, Pregnancy, Marital/ Civil Partnership status, Sexual orientation, Gender reassignment or Religious background.

The WRL is committed to equality through diversity and inclusion.