

**Position:** Slowpitch National Teams Head Coach

### **Brief Description of Duties**

Softball Ireland is responsible for administrating the game of softball throughout the Island of Ireland. Softball Ireland is seeking a Slowpitch National Teams Head Coach (Head Coach) who will be responsible for coaching Softball Ireland Slowpitch National teams (CO-ED and Men's) to compete in European and World Cup competitions.

The Head Coach is a key position within Softball Ireland, reporting to the Director of Slowpitch National Teams and ultimately the Softball Ireland Board. The Head coach will focus on the development, training and selection of the Slowpitch National Team to compete at the 2021 CO-ED European Championships, the 2021 World Series event in London and the 2022 Men's European Championships and 2022 World Series event in London.

**Reports To:** Director of Slowpitch National Teams

**Takes Direction From:** Director of Slowpitch National Teams

Softball Ireland Board (through the Director of Slowpitch National Teams)

Gives Direction To: Co-ed Slowpitch National Team Head Coaching Staff

Men's Slowpitch National Team Head Coaching Staff

**Appointment Term:** Fixed term basis concluding on September 30, 2022

## **Objective**

The development, training and selection of Slowpitch National Teams to compete at the 2021 CO-ED European Championships, the 2021 World Series event in London, the 2022 Men's European Championships and the 2022 World Series event in London. The objective of the programme is for Ireland to win a medal at the 2021 CO-ED European Championships and place top four in the 2022 Men's European Championships. The Head Coach will have a focus on performance and key responsibilities will be:

- Report to the Director of Slowpitch National Teams
- · Organisation of trials, selection camps and all pre-tournament training sessions
- Directing all on-field elements of the Slowpitch National Team programme to provide the highest possible quality experience for all Players
- Clear and timely communication
- Clearly defined, transparent programme and selection policy as agreed with the Director of Slowpitch National Teams
- Timely completion of reports to the Director of Slowpitch National Teams
- Complete all required Softball Ireland Coaching requirements as indicated by the Director of Slowpitch National Teams and ultimately the Softball Ireland Board



The ideal candidate will have the following skills and experience:

- Meticulous planning and organisational skills/attention to detail
- Outstanding communication skills and manner
- Team player and ability to work effectively with, and alongside, others
- The ability to mentor new and existing players
- Previous Softball Coaching experience (international teams an asset)
- Softball / Baseball Coaching qualifications

## **Key Skills and attributes**

- Excellent coaching and leadership skills
- Innovative and self-motivated individual able to work effectively on their own or as part of a team
- Excellent communication skills and confident dealing with internal and external parties, in appropriate manner
- Excellent Project Management and Organisational skills with a strong attention to detail and clerical accuracy

# Application to Include:

- List of Assistant Coaches and Roles
- Outline vision of the National Team Programme over the next 2 years.

Applicants should note that this role is being offered on a fixed term basis concluding on September 30, 2022.

## **How to Apply:**

Interested applicants should forward your Curriculum Vitae (in confidence), proposed programme and a cover letter supporting your application, to Steve Trundle at <a href="mailto:secretary@softball.ie">secretary@softball.ie</a>

Should you have any questions on the advertised role please contact Steve Trundle at secretary@softball.ie

Closing date for receipt of applications is 1700 on Friday January 29, 2021