



**Australian Gymnastics
Championships**

2026 Australian Gymnastics Championships Education Plan



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Safeguarding the 2026 Australian Gymnastics Championships

Gymnastics Australia takes seriously its responsibility to ensure the Australian Gymnastics Championships is safe, fair, inclusive and clean.

Gymnastics Australia and **Sport integrity Australia** are committed to working in partnership to identify, mitigate, and manage integrity threats, ensuring a safe, fair, and inclusive environment for all participants at every level of the sport. Integrity education equips everyone in sport to recognise risk, make ethical decisions, and help protect the integrity and wellbeing of the gymnastics community.

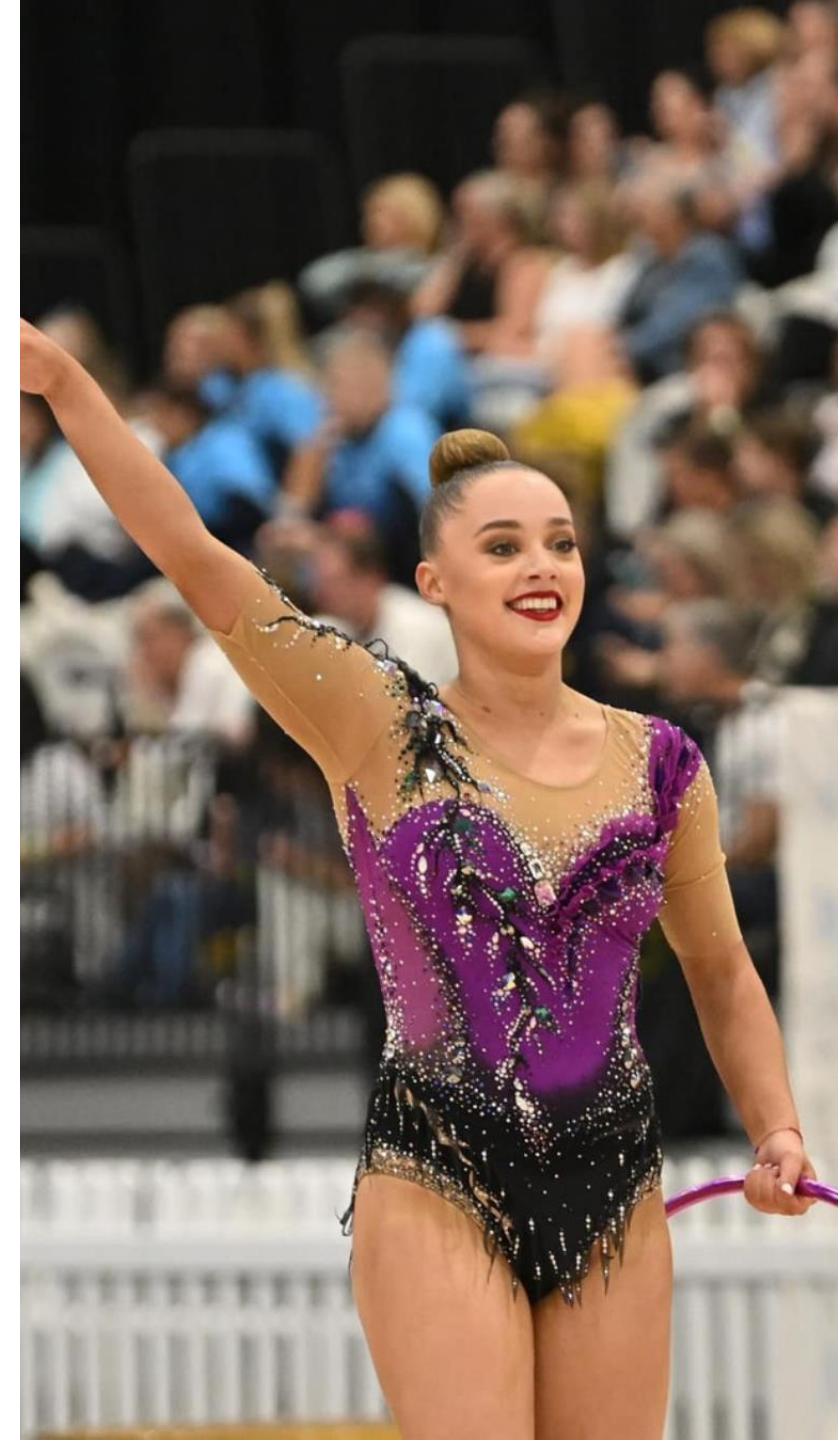
As with previous years, all attendees at the Australian Gymnastics Championships will be required to complete a series of online education courses prior to collecting their accreditation. These courses have been developed by Sport Integrity Australia, and are for individuals who participate in, coach, judge or support athletes participating in competitive gymnastics, to help educate everyone on the benefits of keeping gymnastics safe, fair, inclusive and clean.

In addition to these education requirements, Gymnastics Australia requires all Event Management, State Team Management, Contractors and Volunteers to provide evidence of the following items prior to collecting their accreditation;

- A valid Working With Children Check (or equivalent)
- Photo ID

If you have any questions about the education requirements mentioned above, please contact Gymnastics Australia's Integrity Unit at integrity@gymnastics.org.au or, if you have a concern about the behaviour of an individual in our sport, we invite you to Raise a Concern Online.

Thank you for keeping the Australian Gymnastics Championships a safe, fair, inclusive and clean environment for everyone.



National Events (Australian Gymnastics Championships and National Clubs Carnival)

		EVENT MANAGEMENT			STA TEAM MANAGEMENT		
		GA Staff	Contractors	Volunteers	STA Staff	Contractors	Volunteers
		All GA staff participating in the Event	All Contractors engaged for the Event (inclusive of physiotherapists and medical)	All Volunteers engaged for the Event (Inclusive of chaperones)	Heads of Delegation Team Managers	All Contractors engaged for the Event (inclusive of physiotherapists and medical)	All Volunteers engaged for the Event (Inclusive of chaperones)
SIA INTEGRITY COURSES	Safeguarding Children and Young People Sport Induction	Required	Required	Required	Required	Required	Required
	Anti-Doping Fundamentals	Required	Required (Physiotherapists and doctors only)		Required	Required (Physiotherapists and doctors only)	
	Annual Update	Required	Required (Physiotherapists and doctors only)		Required	Required (Physiotherapists and doctors only)	
	National Integrity Framework	Required			Required		
	Competition Manipulation & Sports Gambling	Required			Recommended		
	Illicit Drugs in Sport	Required			Recommended		
	Medical Practitioners Course		Required (Doctors only)			Required (Doctors only)	

National Events (Australian Gymnastics Championships and National Clubs Carnival)

		OFFICIALS		ATHLETES	
		Coaches	Judges	Senior and Junior International (All Gymsports)	All
INTEGRITY COURSES	Anti-Doping Fundamentals	Required	Required	Required	Recommended
	Annual Update	Required	Required	Required	Recommended
	National Integrity Framework	Required	Required		
	Safeguarding Children and Young People Sport Induction	Required	Required	Over 18 – Required Under 18 - Recommended	Recommended
	Safe and Effective Coaching of Young Athletes in High Performance Sport	Required			
	Competition Manipulation & Sports Gambling	Required	Required	Recommended	Recommended
	Illicit Drugs in Sport	Required		Recommended	Recommended
	Decision Making in Sport			Recommended	Recommended

Course	Description	Intended Audience	
SIA Courses	Anti-Doping Fundamentals	Comprehensive anti-doping education covering the rules and regulations related to anti-doping, the process involved in testing, the ethical and health implications of doping, and the responsibilities of athletes and support personnel to uphold anti-doping standards.	Athletes and people assisting athletes who are competing in events where testing is likely to occur.
	Annual Update	Released in December each year, this course reflects current trends in anti-doping and broader integrity issues including new prohibited substances, rule changes and other contemporary topics.	Athletes and people assisting athletes who are competing in events where testing is likely to occur. (Completed annually)
	Safe and Effective Coaching of Young Athletes in High Performance Sport	This course is designed for coaches who work with athletes under the age of 18, helping you to implement safe, engaging and effective practices.	Coaches working with high performance athletes under the age of 18.
	Medical Practitioners	Specific anti-doping education for sport and exercise physicians and other medical practitioners working with or consulting to athletes and sports in Australia. This course covers the nuances of medical practice in sport and supporting athletes to uphold anti-doping rules.	Doctors involved in the provisions of medical care in sport.
	Decision Making in Sport	A series of challenging scenarios based in real-life predicaments faced by sportspeople at all levels. This course provides a framework to guide the application of personal values and principles to the ethical dilemmas of the sporting world.	Pathway athletes.
	National Integrity Framework	Comprehensive education about the development of the National Integrity Framework, including background information about Sport Integrity Australia and an overview of how each National Integrity Framework Policy can be applied in practice.	Members at all levels of sport.
	Safeguarding Children and Young People Sport Induction	An introduction to protecting children and young people within sporting environments, including Children and Young People Safe Practices, and how to recognise and respond to possible breaches of the safeguarding policy.	Any person who is deemed to be working in a position that has direct involvement with athletes under the age of 18.
	Competition Manipulation and Sports Gambling	An introduction to what competition manipulation is, different types of competition manipulation, and sport specific rules to assist with identifying breaches, recognising match-fixer strategies, and knowing how to report concerns.	Any person involved in a sport where competition manipulation is a significant risk and where betting markets are likely to occur.
	Illicit Drugs in Sport	With a focus on recreational illicit drug use, this course covers the effects of drug use on both health and sport performance, the importance of understanding the In-Competition period, developing a response plan to drug offers, and locating wellbeing and support services. .	Athletes and people assisting athletes who are competing in events where testing is likely to occur.

There are more courses than previous years - why have the education requirements changed?

Gymnastics Australia has increased the education requirements to ensure all attendees at the 2026 Australian Gymnastics Championships have a strong understanding of integrity threats to gymnastics. This now includes safeguarding, competition manipulation and the consumption of illicit drugs in sport.

Additionally, knowing how to identify inappropriate behaviour and how to report it is especially important to keep everyone in gymnastics safe.

I am under the age of 18, are these courses right for me?

These courses have been designed for everyone in sport, but there is some content which might be difficult to understand for younger learners.

If you are under the age of 18, we strongly advise completing these courses with a parent or guardian, so they can help answer any questions you might have, and make sure you are feeling supported as you learn about integrity threats in gymnastics.

I have already completed some of these courses, do I need to do them again?

You can view the courses you have already completed by downloading your Sport Integrity Australia Certificate.

Do I need to provide Gymnastics Australia with my Sport Integrity Australia Certificate?

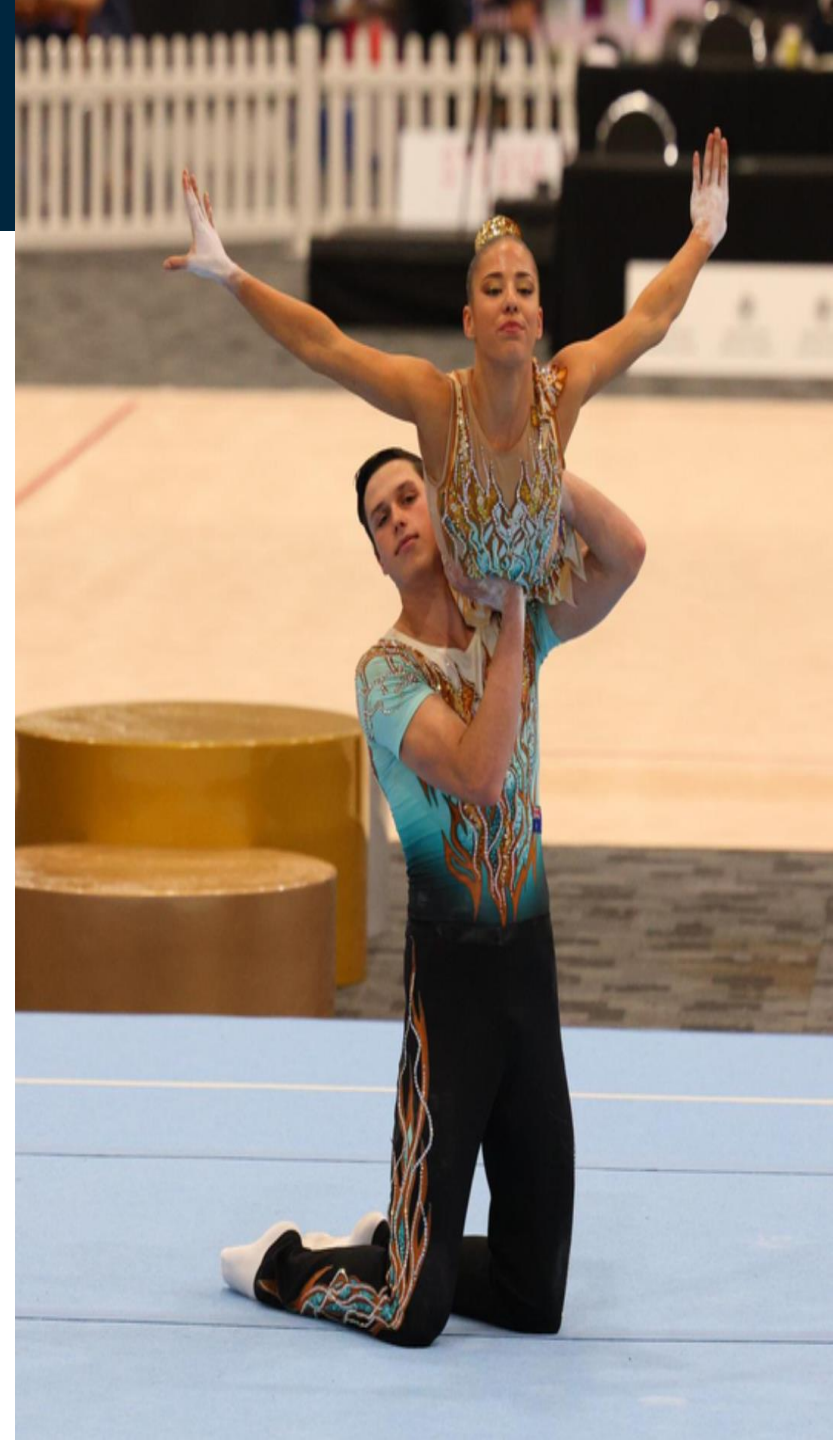
Gymnastics Australia will endeavour to verify all education requirements ahead of time, to ensure a seamless accreditation collection process. However, we encourage you to download and save your Sport Integrity Australia certificate for quick access should our team need to review this when you collect your accreditation.

Something in one of these courses has made me feel concerned or uncomfortable. Who can I talk to?

Learning about integrity threats to gymnastics can be confronting, but it is important to know there are people you can talk to. If the content raises concerns for you, please pause the course and seek support. Gymnastics Australia's Integrity team is available to talk to if you are worried about what is required of you.

If you need emotional support at anytime, you can contact one of the [National Support Services](#) for free and confidential support.

If you would like to talk to someone about a concern you have about someone's behaviour in gymnastics, you can contact Gymnastics Australia's Integrity Unit via integrity@gymnastics.org.au or, you can [Raise a Concern Online](#).



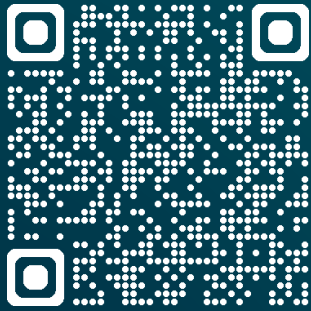
SIA EDGE

Do you have a SIA eLearning account?

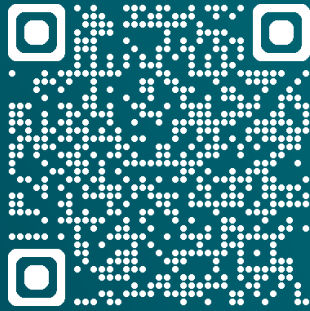
Yes! Log in using the [Learner Login section](#)

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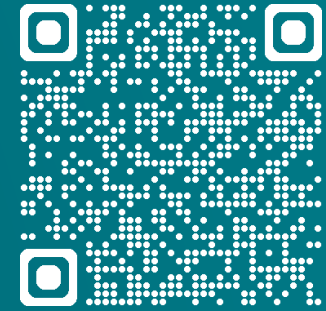
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[Play by the Rules](#)

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Working With Children Check

The WWCC requirements are based on GA minimum standards and requirements.

If your jurisdiction requires a higher level of compliance, individuals must meet those requirements. For example, in some states, all volunteers at a sporting club with junior participants must hold a WWCC, regardless of their specific role.

A single screening unit has been set up in each state and territory to conduct working with children checks and issues the resulting cards, registrations or permits. Visit the [National Office for Child Safety](#) for a list of the only organisations allowed, under legislation, to conduct working with children checks, and the relevant requirements for your role.

