



Career Guides

Sports Development Officers promote sports and skills development at an organisation or for a community. They also work closely with young people and other special groups to oversee their participation in sport.

Sports Development Officer

Where You Might Work

Sports Development Officers work in any area that needs promoting sport and recreation events. These areas could include:

- › Community-based clubs and organisations
- › Sports centres
- › Local government authorities
- › Gyms
- › Retirement homes



Key Responsibilities

Sports Development Officers have a multi-faceted job that requires them to do a range of tasks, including:

- › Coordinating and directing the activities of an organisation.
- › Arranging entries into sporting competitions.
- › Helping coach teams and analysing performance.
- › Promoting sports and skills development in the community while overseeing the participation in sport at a club/organisation.

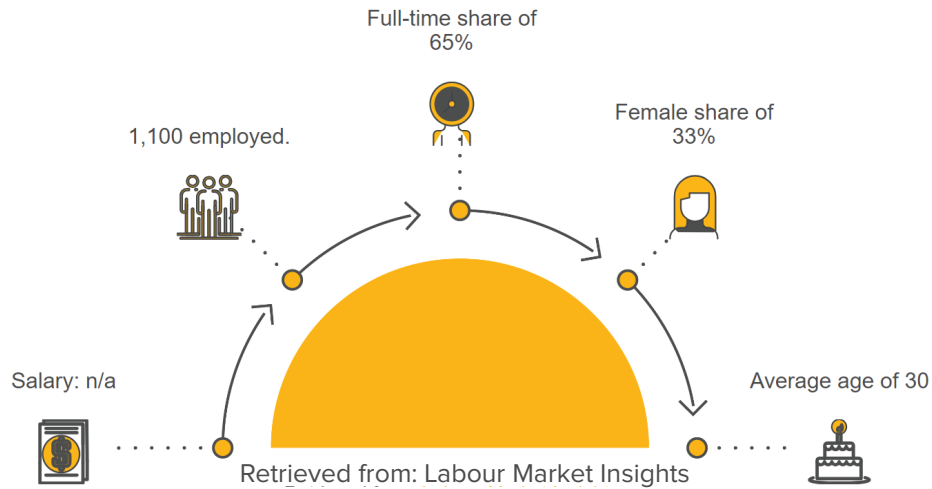
The Attributes and Skills You Will Need

An arrangement of skills will be needed for this career, such as:

- › An ability to communicate effectively, both in-person and via email.
- › Possessing a sound knowledge of an array of sports.
- › An ability to motivate large groups of people.
- › Having an interest in working in disadvantaged areas that need to implement sporting frameworks and structures.
- › Possessing leadership qualities and having a desire to lead people.



Quick Facts



Qualifications

The table below includes options that involve both VET courses and tertiary education. It is important to consider which pathway would be the best option for you.

Course	Potential Career Opportunities	Further Study Beyond Qualification	Duration and Number of elements/units
Bachelor of Sport and Exercise Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Exercise specialist for community sports organisations ● Sport and recreation manager/officer ● Occupational health and safety officer 	An honours year can be undergone for further training and refinement of skills.	3 years full-time 6 years part-time
Diploma of Sport (SIS50321)	A Diploma of Sport allows individuals to pursue 3 notable job titles: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● High performance coach ● Sport development officer/manager ● Talent manager 	The Diploma of Sport's elective subjects allow students to specialise in certain areas. We recommend choosing the Sport Development package (4 elective units) along with another elective package that you are interested in.	Course Length: 1 year Contains 14 units recognised by the Australian Qualification Framework (3 core units and 11 elective units)



Additional Qualifications

- > Valid First Aid and CPR Certificates (may not be included in outlined courses)
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- > Working with Vulnerable People Check
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- > Working with Children Check
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