



The British Association of  
Sport and Exercise Sciences

# A Guide to Hosting a BASES Workshop



*“Promoting excellence in sport and exercise sciences”*



## Introduction

The BASES Divisional CPD Representative in conjunction with the BASES Office is responsible for considering workshop proposals and the development of the BASES CPD programme. A workshop is defined as a training session, which emphasises interaction, problem-solving, hands-on exercises, and requires the involvement of the delegates.

These guidelines will help you to develop a proposal to run a BASES workshop and ensure that BASES has the necessary information required to consider the proposal. Please note that receipt of a proposal by BASES does not automatically mean that the workshop will run. The proposal will be considered as detailed below and the organiser will be contacted when a decision has been made.

For enquiries regarding hosting a BASES workshop, please email [enquiries@bases.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@bases.org.uk).

## Completing the Necessary Forms

Workshop proposals can only be considered on receipt of a completed “Hosting a BASES Workshop Form” and a Workshop Programme Outline

## Hints and Tips

BASES has put together the following checklist as a result of delegates feedback:

Organisation:

- Are the tables arranged in a way to encourage interaction between delegates and presenters?
- Are there windows or is there air conditioning in the room?
- Have you checked for disabled access at the venue?
- Are there blinds or curtains to block sunlight?
- Have you got handouts, CDs or DVDs as resources for the delegates?
- Have you checked the equipment is in working order?
- Has the laboratory been risk assessed? (where applicable)

Delivery:

- Will slides/resources be available on the day/emailed after the workshop?
- Have you provided a key references for delegates to read before the workshop?

- Have you factored in time for group discussions/interactive content?
- Have you got real life examples to use?
- Have you got too much content to fit into the day's sessions?

## Delegate Fees, Host Workshop Fees and Costs to BASES

### Delegate fees

1-day workshops:	£100.00 BASES members
	£150.00 non members (currently to include one year's complementary BASES membership)
2-day workshops:	£200.00
½ day workshops	£50.00

### Host Workshop Fees

For a 1-day workshop with the delegate fees outlined above, the workshop organiser(s) will receive a 'host workshop fee' of £80 x the number of paying delegates. For example, for a 1-day workshop with 20 paying delegates, the workshop organiser(s) will receive a host workshop fee of £1,600 (£80 x 20 paying delegates).

For a 2-day workshop with the delegate fees outlined above, the workshop organiser(s) will receive a host workshop fee of £160 x the number of paying delegates.

For ½ day Core SE workshops with the delegate fee outlined above, the workshop organiser will receive a host workshop fee of £40 x number of paying delegates.

For workshops with different delegate fees, the workshop fee will be calculated on a case-by-case basis.

Please note, the amount of £80 will be either £80 inclusive of VAT (if you/your company is VAT registered) or just £80 flat payment if not VAT registered.

It is the responsibility of the workshop organiser(s) to distribute the host workshop fee accordingly, to cover the various costs. Please note that lunch is included in the delegate fee (except for the ½ day workshops) so lunches need to be provided by the organiser(s), as well as morning and afternoon refreshments. These lunch and refreshments costs need to be covered by the host workshop fee.

Fixed costs may include:

- Presenters' preparation and delivery time
- Presenters' travel

- Facilities
- Refreshments for presenters.

Variable costs may include:

- Delegates' coffee, tea, mineral water, biscuits
- Delegates' lunch
- Photocopying.

The workshop organiser(s) is responsible for costing the workshop to ensure that it can be run on a financially viable basis. To assist you with your costings, see example "Income and Expenditure BASES Workshop Form" (p.11). It is recommended that you complete the form to ensure that your costings are realistic.

## **Costs to BASES**

The remaining income from delegate fees is retained by BASES to cover the financial costs associated with running the workshop programme (i.e. administrative costs, office costs, website development, certificates, folders, postage and packaging, etc.)

## **Workshop Cancellation Policy**

Workshops require a minimum number of delegates to run. The minimum number will be displayed within the workshop programme. If a workshop is to be withdrawn, this will be done no later than 14 days prior to the workshop date.

Confirmation of numbers will be provided to presenters 14 days prior to the workshop. Presenters may not withdraw a workshop any earlier than this date to enable the maximum amount of time for delegates to book onto a workshop.

## **Presenters**

The presenter(s) need to be experienced presenters and facilitators and have specialist knowledge, i.e., the workshop topic should be one in which they have devoted much time and in which they are highly skilled and possess detailed knowledge of. The presenter(s) should ideally be a BASES member and BASES Accredited. It is recognised that under certain circumstances presentations from people outside BASES or with other professional expertise may be useful and stimulating. Such circumstances will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

## Timing

Workshops should normally run from 10am–4pm, with an hour lunch break.

Point to note:

- Avoid BASES Annual and Student Conferences and try to avoid clashing with other sport science conferences & sporting events
- Avoid Christmas/new year period
- If possible try to link to other workshops/conferences by running directly before or after event

There are two main 'CPD periods' in the year – Spring/Summer (Feb– June) and Autumn/Winter (Sept - Jan) that have proved successful in the past but have some flexibility.

## The Role of BASES in co-ordinating the Workshop

Advertising: Workshops will be advertised to members via the BASES website, [www.bases.org.uk](http://www.bases.org.uk), Social Media (Face Book, Twitter), The Sport and Exercise Scientist and the monthly e-newsletter.

Workshop organisers are advised to advertise the workshop via their own advertising outlets thereby encouraging people to join BASES.

**Administration:** BASES will process delegate applications and payment. Pre-workshop information (course details, delegate list, maps and other relevant details) will be sent out electronically from the BASES Office. One week prior to the workshop BASES will send the lead organiser the delegate packs (BASES folders, evaluation forms , certificates of attendance & pens) and a delegate list/register. The delegate list is also e-mailed to the organiser once workshop is finalised highlighting any dietary/other requirements.

## Workshop Evaluation

BASES is committed to delivering high quality training and education opportunities to the membership. In order to do this the quality of workshops will be assessed by an evaluation form (see example, p.12). Attendees will be asked to complete an evaluation form in return for a certificate of attendance. Organisers should then forward the completed evaluation forms to the BASES Office for collation. An evaluation summary report will be made available to all relevant parties.

## The Workshop Proposal Review Process

- If you wish to host a workshop, then you are advised to contact the relevant Divisional CPD Representative. Names and contact details are listed at <http://www.bases.org.uk/The-Divisions>

- The representative should be able to advise on whether s/he thinks the workshop topic area is one of interest and it is worth submitting a formal proposal (Appendix 1: Hosting a BASES Workshop Form and a workshop programme outline)
- The formal proposal will be considered within the context of both the individual workshop proposal and the overall workshop programme. The following points need to be addressed:
  - The programme is likely to be of interest to BASES members.
  - The presenters are well qualified to deliver the programme.
  - The programme has adequate interactive content.
  - The overview in appendix 1 is written in a style appropriate for promotional purposes.
  - The overall workshop programme is balanced and the scheduling of workshops is appropriate.

Based on the considerations above, the possible outcomes are:

- Accept
- Defer to either the next 6-month workshop programme or to the following year
- Not accept.

## Responsibilities of BASES

- Provide on-going support and guidance regarding hosting a BASES workshop.
- Provide a BASES PowerPoint slide template for all presenters to use.
- Receive and process workshop bookings and payments
- Send out pre-workshop information to delegates, e.g., course details, delegate list, maps and other relevant details.
- Provide updates on number of delegates.
- Provide delegate packs.
- Provide certificates of attendance.
- Act as a central contact point for all changes of workshop programme.
- Collate and distribute a summary of the evaluation forms to relevant parties.
- Inform the organiser(s) if BASES wishes to re-run the workshop.
- Inform the organiser(s) of the host workshop fee that the organiser(s) need to invoice BASES for.
- On receipt of the invoice from the organiser(s), pay the hosts the host workshop fee.

## Responsibilities of the Organisers

### At the Outset:

- To establish the financial viability including fixed and variable costs, use the “Income and Expenditure BASES Workshop Form” (see Appendix 2).
- Complete and return the “Hosting a BASES Workshop Form” (see Example, p.8) and a Workshop Programme Outline (see Example, p.10).
- Book venue, catering, AV’s and presenters, etc.
- Advertise the workshop via own advertising outlets.
- Determine if slides will be available on the day for delegates/emailed out after the workshop or not made available

### At Least Two Weeks Prior:

- Develop resources for delegate packs (e.g., PowerPoint handouts of presentations, recommended reading list, useful resources etc). Please note that it is expected that

PowerPoint handouts (3 slides per page) of all presentations are included in the delegate packs. As a BASES workshop, presentations should use the BASES PowerPoint slide template.

**One Week Prior:**

- Check venue, catering and AV bookings.
- Check with the BASES Office the delegates confirmed attending. Check and make provision for any special needs, e.g., access, loops etc.
- Notify the BASES office of any amendments etc.

**On the Day:**

- Organise a registration desk, distribute attendee badges and delegate packs.
- Ensure parking, registration and meeting room are clearly signed.
- Take a register.
- Management of the day, housekeeping and safety issues, introducing presenters, changes to timetable etc.
- At the conclusion distribute the evaluation forms.
- Distribute certificates of attendance on receipt of the completed evaluation form.

**One Week After:**

- Send completed evaluation forms to the BASES Office.
- Send an invoice to the BASES Office for the host workshop fee once the office has informed them of this amount. Please indicate who this is payable to.

## Examples

### Example 1: Hosting a BASES Workshop – Completed Form

<b>Workshop Title:</b> Do Your Athletes Follow Your Intervention Recommendations? Ways To Improve Adherence
<b>Dates:</b> Wednesday 21 April 2007 ( <b>Preferred</b> ) Friday 23 April 2007 ( <b>Second choice</b> )
<b>Time:</b> 10am – 4pm
<b>Venue 1:</b> Maynard Building. Department of Exercise and Sport Science, Alsager Campus, Manchester Metropolitan University, Cheshire, Hassall Road, Alsager, Cheshire, ST7 2HL <b>Venue 2:</b> Sport Science Building, St. Mary's University College, Waldegrave Road, Strawberry Hill, Twickenham TW1 4SX
<b>Who Should Attend:</b> Practitioners, physiologists, psychologists, those working with athletes, coaches, strength and conditioning coaches, those wishing to change athlete behaviour.
<b>Other Comments:</b>
<b>Cost:</b> £100 BASES members, £150 non members (to include one years complimentary membership)
<b>Comments from Previous Delegates:</b> Really good workshop. Carefully planned. High quality content. "How to do x and y". The workshop gave us "tools" to work with.  Excellent workshop due to its relevance, practical guidelines and tools.
<b>Overview:</b> Are you spending time prescribing interventions and then finding your athletes are not following the intervention? This workshop outlines many of potential problems with adherence, the determinants of adherence and the relevance of existing theories to inform the development and implementation of interventions with appropriate support programmes. Case studies of successful interventions will be shared and delegates will be given the opportunity to develop action plans for their own cases.
<b>Learning Outcomes:</b> This workshop aims to assist delegates to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• demonstrate a sound knowledge of the scientific literature on adherence</li><li>• be able to identify the adherence problem</li><li>• be able to identify adherence barriers and facilitators</li><li>• be able to use theory to inform effective support practice</li><li>• be able to critically evaluate the efficacy of current practice regarding changing adherence behaviour</li><li>• be able to develop an action plan to improve adherence.</li></ul>

**Presenters:**

**Prof ZZ** is currently the Head of the Department of Exercise and Sport Science at Manchester Metropolitan University. He has worked in applied sport science since 1988 managing sport science service provision on behalf of the England Netball and the English Lacrosse Union. He is a BASES Accredited Sport and Exercise Scientist. He was invited to conduct an interdisciplinary review focusing on research priorities by the BASES Sport Science Research Programme Committee.

**Prof YY** is currently the Head of the Department of Exercise and Sport Science at St Mary's University College. He has worked in applied sport science since 1988 managing sport science service provision on behalf of the England Netball and the English Lacrosse Union. He is a BASES Accredited Sport and Exercise Scientist. He was invited to conduct an interdisciplinary review focusing on research priorities by the BASES Sport Science Research Programme Committee.

**Dr XX** is currently the Sport Science Manager for England Netball. She has 10 years experience working as an applied sport scientist with elite athletes. She is a BASES Accredited Sport and Exercise Scientist (Psychology - Scientific Support). In 2000 she completed her PhD entitled "Fitness Training Adherence of Elite Netball Players". In recent years she has successfully demonstrated the ability to impact upon training adherence with both England Netball and the England Senior Women's Hockey Squad.

**Workshop Programme: Attached****Map and Directions:**

**MMU:** <http://www.cheshire.mmu.ac.uk/home/aboutus/location/index.php>

**St Mary's:** <http://www.smuc.ac.uk/contact/directions.htm>

**On Arrival:**

**MMU:** Please park in the main car park and report to reception. The workshop will be held in the Maynard Building.

**St Mary's:** Parking costs £3 in the Park Lane car park.

**Local Accommodation: MMU:** The Manor House Hotel <http://www.manorhousealsager.co.uk/>

**St Mary's UC:**

**Workshop lead Contact Details:**

**Prof YY, YY@mmu.ac.uk**

**Contact Number on the Day:**

**0161 247000 (reception) and/or presenters mobile**

**Minimum and Maximum Number of Delegates:** 10 (min), 40 (max)

## Example 2: Workshop Programme Outline

### Basic Electrocardiography (ECG): Practical skills and an introduction to interpretation

Wednesday 13 June 2006, 10am – 4.15pm

Physiology Laboratories, Henry Cotton Campus, Liverpool John Moores University

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09.30 -10.00	Arrival and refreshments
10.00 -10.20	Welcome, introduction and scene setting Prof Keith George
	<b>What is an ECG and when would it be useful?</b>
10.20 - 11.00	<b>How to prepare someone for a 12-lead ECG</b> Dr Paul Bromley
11.00 - 11.30	<b>Practical – Prepare others for a 12-lead ECG (skin preparation, lead placement)</b> Dr Rob Shave/Prof Keith George
11.30 -11.45	Break
	<b>Collecting a 12-lead ECG</b> Dr Paul Bromley
11.45 -12.15	<b>Practical – attachment to and attainment of a 12-lead ECG (basic skills)</b> Dr Rob Shave/Prof Keith George
	<b>So what have you got?</b> Prof Greg Whyte
12.15 - 1.00	<b>Practical – simple assessments of cardiac rate and electrical axis</b> Dr Rob Shave/Prof Keith George
1.00 - 1.45	Lunch
	<b>The assessment of cardiac rhythm and other components of the ECG</b>
1.45- 2.45	Prof Greg Whyte <b>Practical – spotting rhythms in real time (ECG generator)</b> Dr Rob Shave/Prof Keith George
2.45 - 3.00	Break
3.00 - 3.30	<b>What to look for in an exercise referral and rehabilitation setting</b> Dr Paul Bromley
3.30 – 4.00	<b>What to look for in athlete assessment</b> Prof Greg Whyte
4.00 – 4.15	Workshop evaluation and certificate distribution Thanks and depart.

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**Example 3: Income & Expenditure – Completed Form**  
*(not required in BASES office – example shown for your own budgeting information)*

<b>Expenditure</b>	£	£
Fixed Costs		
Presenter 1 name	250	
Presenter 2 name	200	
Presenter 1 name - travel	-	
Presenter 2 name – travel	-	
Facilities	-	
<b>Refreshments for presenters</b>	<b>20</b>	
Total Fixed Costs		____ 470 ____
Variable Costs		
Delegates' coffee, tea, mineral water, biscuits		
Delegates' lunch		
Total cost per head for refreshments (~<£10) = £10		
Photocopying	-	
Total Variable Costs [based on 10 delegates]		
Vat @ 20% (if appropriate)		
Total Expenditure		_____
<b>Income</b>		
Delegate fees [£80 X delegates]		
Total Income		_____
Surplus		_____

Calculation to determine number of attendees required (this figure should not normally exceed 10):

Number of delegates needed to cover fixed costs:

£470 [total fixed costs] divided by (£80 [delegate fee]-£10 [cost of refreshments]) =

£470 divided by £50 = ~10

Therefore, 10 attendees are required to make the workshop break even.

## Example 4: Workshop Evaluation Form (as given out to delegates)

### BASES Workshop Evaluation Form

BASES is committed to developing and improving your practice as a sport or exercise scientist. In order to discover whether this workshop was of benefit to attendees and to improve it if necessary, BASES would be very grateful if you could complete this evaluation form. Only BASES Office Staff will see your individual forms. A summary of the workshop evaluation forms will be distributed to the workshop host and the divisional representative. Storage and use of the data is in accordance with the provisions of the Data Protection Act 1998. Thank you for attending the workshop, taking the time to complete this evaluation form and supporting the BASES workshop programme.

<b>WORKSHOP TITLE:</b>	
<b>PRESENTERS:</b>	
<b>DATE:</b>	
<b>VENUE:</b>	

**What were the strengths of this workshop?**

**Do you have any recommendations to improve the quality or effectiveness of this BASES workshop?**

**In General:**

*(Please tick one)*

- Did you enjoy this workshop? YES  NO
- Do you think the workshop provided good educational value for money? YES  NO
- Would you attend another BASES workshop? YES  NO

**What is your BASES membership category? (Please tick one)**

- Professional  Graduate  Affiliate  Student  Overseas

**Accredited/ Supervised Experience? (Please tick one)**

- BASES Accredited  BASES Supervised Experience
- Neither

