



ABOUT THE PROGRAMME

GB Maxibasketball is a World and European championship medal-winning programme, founded in 2017/18 and supported by every home nation basketball governing body. Catering for high-level male and female players aged 35+ and older, the programme is a recognised part of the Basketball England Talent Pathway and operates within governing body protocols for national teams.

In 2026, ten GB squads competed at the FIMBA European Maxibasketball Championship in Athens, returning with two medals, and the GB Men's 50+ made history at the inaugural FIBA Masters Open. The programme now prepares for the 2026/27 season and the FIBA Masters Open 2027 cycle.

OUR AMBITION

To provide players with a high-quality platform to continue playing basketball and competing at performance level through regular training and international events.

OUR VISION

Official governing body representative masters teams winning medals at European and World Maxibasketball Championships.

OUR VALUES

Performance first

Know your role and deliver it to the best of your ability. Plan to win — deliver excellence at every opportunity.

Continual improvement

A growth mindset in everything we do. Take risks, make mistakes, learn, innovate and elevate.

Team first

Leave egos at the door. Open, honest and respectful communication, with no blame culture.

A VOLUNTARY PROGRAMME — WHAT THAT MEANS

All GB Maxibasketball roles are voluntary. Staff and players self-fund their participation in training and at international competition, including travel and accommodation. Some material costs are covered for sports science and medicine staff (e.g. therapeutic strapping and first aid equipment).

In return, we offer something money rarely buys: hands-on experience in a national performance programme, structured professional development built on our growth mindset ethos, mentoring from experienced practitioners, and membership of GB Maxibasketball delegations at designated international championships (FIBA or any other recognised international body whose competitions further our competitive aspirations).

THE ROLE

The Programme Coach oversees or assists with a designated GB Maxibasketball national masters squad: player selection, planning and conducting training sessions, developing game strategies, and fostering a positive team culture owned and driven by the players — all within the GB Maxis style of play. Head Coaches additionally mentor the Assistant Coaches appointed alongside them.

Reports to	Programme Lead (Men's or Women's programme)
Works with	Team Manager, SSEM team and fellow coaches
Term	Two years (2026/27–2027/28), subject to annual review
Commitment	Squad training camps approximately every 6–8 weeks, preparation events, plus the designated championship

RESPONSIBILITIES

COACHING

- Lead or assist the coaching of a designated GB squad, including player selection and robust depth charts
- Plan and deliver training sessions that meet programme performance standards
- Assess player skills and implement individual and team development plans
- Coach within the GB Maxis style of play: 4-out-1-in offence, teaching the why, dominating the mathematical battles within the game (possession, rebounding and shooting efficiency), and coaching through a lens of advantage
- Develop game strategies with players, and foster a positive, player-owned team culture

SUPPORTING DUTIES

- Liaise with the Performance Support Team so every player has an individual plan covering on-court performance and development away from it
- Provide verbal and written feedback to players at set intervals
- Liaise with the Programme Lead on planning camps, preparation games and competitions
- Work closely with the Team Manager to ensure effective team communication
- Engage with governing bodies on your own coach development; Head Coaches mentor their Assistant Coaches

PERSON SPECIFICATION

ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE
• Relevant basketball coaching qualification • Experience coaching at regional, national, international or professional level • Commitment to diversity, inclusion and equity within basketball • A positive, safe playing environment where team members feel valued • Integrity: fair, equitable and ethical in approach • Safeguarding qualification and basic disclosure check (or willingness to obtain)	• Knowledge of international masters competition (e.g. FIBA and other recognised bodies) aims and structures • Proven experience in a performance basketball environment • Understanding of the application of sports science and medicine in performance settings

WHAT YOU GET IN RETURN

- Coach a national squad in international competition
- Coach development and mentoring within the GB Maxis coaching community
- Development aligned to governing body coaching pathways
- Membership of GB Maxibasketball delegations at designated international championships

HOW TO APPLY

Send a cover letter, CV and recent headshot to info@gbmaxibasketball.co.uk — we are happy to arrange an informal chat first. Basic disclosure checks and references are required for all successful applicants.