



2023 Coach Education Requirements

Guiding Principle: All athletes have the right to be coached by an NCCP Certified coach!

Volleyball B.C (VBC) and Volleyball Canada's (VC) Coach Requirements are to ensure that all coaches participating in VBC or VC club events have the knowledge and training necessary to **provide every athlete with a safe, inclusive and responsible sport experience.**

All coaches have the responsibility to:

- Have the required training to provide an environment that is physically, mentally, emotionally and socially safe for all athletes and participants.
- Have the required training to be able to provide a responsible learning environment that incorporates VC's teaching methodologies, technical guidelines and long-term athlete development principles.
- Ensure that all training is current and updated as required, to be able to provide a safe and responsible sport experience for all.

New for 2023

1. ALL coaches or persons in authority must have completed their Criminal Record Check (CRC) and Safe Sport in order to be covered by VBC Insurance before participating in a club activity (tryouts, practice, tournaments, team meetings etc.).
2. "AA" Coaches who are coaching in the same age category for the second year or more need to be "certified" in their respective age group requirements (see below).
3. "Must Have" requirements must be completed by March 31st to be eligible to coach at provincials and avoid being sanctioned. "Should Have" must be completed by March 31st to avoid sanctions.
4. "Must Have" and "Should Have" requirements must be completed by all coaches, regardless if they are attending provincials or not.
5. Advanced Development Coaches no longer need additional NCCP multi-sport modules besides the "Must Have" requirements.
6. All coach requirements must be met regardless of attendance at provincials to ensure all athletes have a **"coach with the knowledge and training to provide a safe, inclusive and responsible sport experience"**.

Important Reminders

1. “Must Have” requirements are mandatory to be eligible to participate at provincials.
2. “Should Have” requirements are not mandatory to be eligible to participate at provincials. However, failure to meet the “Should Have” requirements will result in a Club Sanction.
3. “A” Head coaches competing at VC Nationals, need to have “AA” Head Coach requirements.
4. Head Coaches who have achieved Certified status in their appropriate context are still required to complete the mandatory requirements in Section A (above) and maintain Active status in the NCCP Locker. Please refer to [Volleyball Canada’s NCCP Certification Maintenance Guide](#) on how to remain Active.
5. Sanctions for missing requirements are \$300 for Head Coaches and \$100 for all other staff.

All Coaches & Staff on a Roster: *“Must Haves”*

	Requirements	Description
1	Membership Waiver Form & Criminal Record Check (CRC)*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Membership Waiver Forms are collected online at time of registration in SportLoMo. ❖ Contact your Club Screening Contact for an invite to complete a CRC via mybackcheck (Sterling Solutions) ❖ Please refer to the Volleyball BC Screening Policy
	Safe Sport Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Coach Association of Canada Safe Sport Training module is a free online module that will help anyone involved in sport identify and prevent situations of maltreatment.
	Making Ethical Decisions (MED) Online Evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Credit for the Make Ethical Decisions (MED) Online Evaluation is required. Coaches can choose to take the MED NCCP Multi Sport Module and then complete the MED Online Evaluation for free. ❖ Coaches can also go directly to the MED Online Evaluation without taking the module but only have two attempts to pass before being required to take the module.
	Making Head Way in Sport eLearning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Making Head Way emodule will help coaches gain knowledge and skills required to ensure the safety of participants.

IMPORTANT NOTES

1. All coaches, staff or persons of authority must have CRC and Safe Sport finished before they interact with club athletes in order to be covered by VBC Insurance*.
2. The “MUST HAVE” requirements of CRC, Safe Sport, MED and Making Headway need to be completed by March 31st, to be eligible for provincials and to avoid club sanctions**
3. Every athlete has the right to an NCCP trained coach, and a “safe, inclusive and responsible sport experience”

12U,13U,"A" & Varsity Athlete Head Coach: *"Should Have"*

	Requirements		Description
2	"A"	Foundations of Volleyball	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ This means you have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Completed "Must Have" requirements (#1) ➢ Completed Foundations of Volleyball

IMPORTANT NOTES:

1. Any Head Coach participating at VC Nationals will need "AA" Head Coach requirements for their age group.
2. "Should Have" requirements must be completed by March 31st to avoid sanctions.
3. Every athlete has the right to an NCCP trained coach, and a "safe, inclusive and responsible sport experience".

14U,15U,16U "AA" Head Coaches: *"Should Haves"*

	Requirements		Description
3	1st Year AA	"Trained" Development Coach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ All "AA" Head Coaches, coaching 14u,15, or 16u for the first time since 2017, are required to be a "Trained" Development Coach. ❖ This means you have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Completed "Must Have" requirements (#1). ➢ Completed Foundations of Volleyball (#2) ➢ Completed the Development Coach Workshop.
	2nd + Year AA	"Certified" Development Coach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ All "AA" Head Coaches, coaching 14u, 15u or 16u for the second time or more are required to be a "Certified" Development Coach. ❖ This means you have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Completed "Must Have" requirements (#1) ➢ Completed Foundations of Volleyball (#2) ➢ Completed the Development Coach Workshop. ➢ Passed the Development Coach Evaluation.

IMPORTANT NOTES:

1. Head Coaches who have achieved Certified status in their appropriate context are still required to complete the mandatory requirements in Section 1 (above) and maintain Active status in the NCCP Locker. Please refer to [Volleyball Canada's NCCP Certification Maintenance Guide](#) on how to remain Active.
2. "Should Have" requirements must be completed by March 31st to avoid sanctions.
3. Every athlete has the right to an NCCP trained coach, and a "safe, inclusive and responsible sport experience"

17U,18U “AA” Head Coach: *“Should Haves”*

	Requirements	Description
4	1st Year AA <u>“Trained” Advanced Development Coach</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ All “AA” Head Coaches, coaching 17u or 18u for the first time since 2017 are required to be “Trained” Advanced Development Coaches. ❖ This means you have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Completed “Must Have” requirements (#1) ➤ Completed <u>Foundations of Volleyball</u> (#2) ➤ Completed <u>Development Coach Workshop</u> (#3) ➤ Completed the <u>Advanced Development Coach Workshop</u>.
	2nd + Year AA <u>“Certified” Advanced Development Coach</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ All “AA” Head Coaches, coaching 17u or 18u for the second time or more are required to have “Certified” Advanced Development Coach Status. ❖ This means you: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Completed “Must Have” requirements (#1) ➤ Completed <u>Foundations of Volleyball</u> (#2) ➤ Are a Certified Development Coach (#3) ➤ Completed the <u>Advanced Development Coach Workshop</u> ➤ Passed the <u>Advanced Development Evaluation</u>

IMPORTANT NOTES:

1. Head Coaches who have achieved Certified status in their appropriate context are still required to complete the mandatory requirements in Section A (above) and maintain Active status in the NCCP Locker. Please refer to [Volleyball Canada’s NCCP Certification Maintenance Guide](#) on how to remain Active.
2. “Should Have” requirements must be completed by March 31st.
3. Regardless of participation at VBC provincials, coaches will be required to meet the 2023 coach requirements in keeping with the guiding principles that every athlete has the right to an NCCP trained coach in order to have a “safe, inclusive and responsible sport experience”

6 STEPS TO SIMPLIFY YOUR NCCP CERTIFICATION

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Step 1: Start Your Coaching Journey!

Thank you for being willing to coach! Before we begin you need to get a NCCP # by joining the Coaching Association of Canada - the Locker. This is how we will keep track of your progress. To start your coaching journey, click [here](#). (Keep this tab open)

Step 2: Join the Volleyball Family

Now that you have an NCCP #, we need to get you into the Volleyball Canada Coaching Center. This is important as it's how you will register for Volleyball Specific Courses (more about this on step 5). Click [here to register](#) for the VC Coaching Center and join the volleyball family. (Keep this tab open)

Step 3: Find Out What You Need

What you need for coach certification depends on your coaching context, i.e. the age and level of your athletes. There are 3 different coaching contexts for club coaches.

1. 12&13 as well as 14-18u "A" teams.
2. 14u, 15u & 16u "AA" teams
3. 17 & 18u "AA" teams

Click [here](#) to find out what certification you need based on your coaching context.

****Trained vs. Certified:** "Trained" means that you have done all the modules and the NCCP workshop. "Certified" means you have done all the modules, the workshop, and been evaluated).

Step 4: Find Out What You Have

After you know what you need, let's go back to your [Locker](#) to see what you currently have and compare that to what you still need. Make sure to write these down, or keep the tab open.

**Sometimes what you have in your locker does not show up in the Coaching Center. If this is the case, email coach@volleyballbc.org with your name and nccp number so we can fix it.

Step 5: Get'er Done

Now that we know what you need to coach your team, let's find when those courses are being offered so we can get'er done.

- For **Multisport courses** (non-volleyball specific), we need to head back to the [Locker](#) and click on the “Calendar” *link to see upcoming courses.*
- For **Volleyball specific** courses, we need to head back to the Volleyball Canada [Coaching Center](#) and click on the “Workshops” link to see upcoming courses.

**Just a reminder that to be “trained” you need to complete the required NCCP Modules and Workshop (If needed) for your coaching context. Once you have completed those steps, to become “certified” you need to register to be evaluated through the [Coaching Center](#).

Step 6: Keep What You Got!

Great job coach, you did it! Your NCCP certification is an important step but only a step in your coaching journey. There is so much to learn when it comes to coaching, which is why we love it. We know coaches are learners by nature, but sometimes life gets busy and we just don’t prioritize our own development. In order to give some accountability to our growth as coaches, the NCCP created a “*Maintenance of Certification and Professional Development Plan.*” That’s a mouthful so we will just call them Pro D Points for now.

In order to maintain your “*Certified*” status you worked so hard to get, you need to collect a certain amount of Pro D Points based on your coaching context. Development Coaches & Advanced Development Coaches will need to accrue 20 points over a period of 5 years. Certified Performance Coaches will need to accrue 30 points over a 5-year period.

There are lots of ways you can accumulate points to maintain your certification, including simply coaching your current team. My suggestion would be to map out your development plan each year and make sure that plan ties into getting Pro D-Points To find out more about the “*Maintenance of Certification and Professional Development Plan*”, click [here](#).

If you have any questions or feedback , please email me at coach@volleyballbc.ca. We would love to hear from you!

Sincerely

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