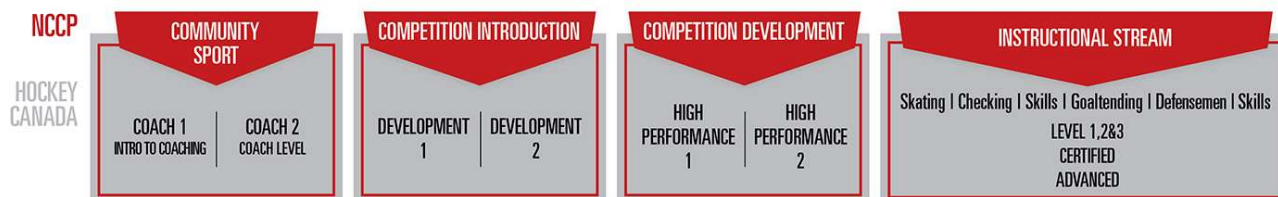




Learn about NCCP Levels & Requirements for hockey coaches

NATIONAL COACH CERTIFICATION PROGRAM / HOCKEY CANADA COACH AND INSTRUCTIONAL STREAMS



Hockey coaches seeking certification participate in clinics within NCCP instruction streams that are relative to the level of players they are coaching. Clinics are offered at the provincial level through Member Branches.

Coaches training within the Community Sport stream do not require NCCP certification. They maintain a "Trained" status.

All Head Coaches coaching Peewee or above teams at competitive levels, as determined by the Branch, must be Development 1 "Certified" (other than those requiring High Performance 1). It is recommended that all assistant coaches have Development 1 "Trained" status.

All Head Coaches coaching Bantam, Midget, Junior "A" teams that compete in Interprovincial or National Championships or the highest level as determined by the Member, must be High Performance 1 'certified'. It is recommended that all Assistant coaches be at minimum Development 1 "trained".

COMMUNITY COACH STREAM: COACH 1 - INTRO TO COACH

CERTIFICATION IS NOT REQUIRED AT COACH 1 - A COACH CAN STAY "TRAINED" INDEFINITELY.

PATHWAY FOR COACH 1 - INTRO TO COACH



Overview

The Coach 1 program was designed to review the basic tools coaches will need in the areas of leadership, communication, teaching skills, and lesson planning. All this is taught with the special considerations of the youngest athletes in mind. Coaches in the Intro to Coach Program receive a manual that provides progressive practice plans. The practice plans are tailor-made for teaching the beginner to ensure their first experience with hockey is fun and positive.

Who Should Attend?

Intro to Coach is a required course for registered coaches working with Initiation players (5-6 years old); however, it is not necessarily targeted to the inexperienced coach. This exceptional program shows coaches how to teach hockey's basic skills while keeping the theme of their practices with an emphasis on fun and Fundamentals.

Qualification Requirements

Qualification is based solely on attendance. 100% attendance is required.

There is no prerequisite course to the Intro to Coach. Participants who successfully complete the program will receive TRAINED status upon completion of all components --On-line modules, Classroom and On-Ice Sessions.

The Coach 1 course consists of 12 on-line coach modules, 1.5 – 2.5 hours of classroom time and 1.5 hours ice time.

COMMUNITY COACH STREAM: COACH 2 - COACH LEVEL

CERTIFICATION IS NOT REQUIRED AT COACH 2 - A COACH CAN STAY "TRAINED" INDEFINITELY.

PATHWAY FOR COACH 2 - COACH LEVEL



All hockey coaches coaching Novice, Atom, Peewee, Bantam and Midget community sport streams require at a minimum Coach 2 – Coach Level Training.

Provincial Branches and Member Partners may also require the completion of Coach 1 - Intro to Coach or the Coach 1-2 Hybrid clinic for Initiation level coaches that are coaching players age 5 and 6.

Overview

The NCCP Coach Level course is the first level of the National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP) within the Community Sport Stream. This Coach Level course follows the competency-based education and training method of learning and is an excellent course for all new and recreational level coaches. The NCCP Coach Level will provide an introduction to player development and will teach coach knowledge, skills and attitudes in the following areas:

- How to communicate effectively with athletes and parents.
- How to support the athlete in a team environment.
- How to support the athlete in the training environment.
- How to support the athlete in a practice environment.
- How to support the athlete in a game environment.

The NCCP Coach Level emphasizes basic skills and the importance of having players develop confidence, self-esteem and a love for the game.

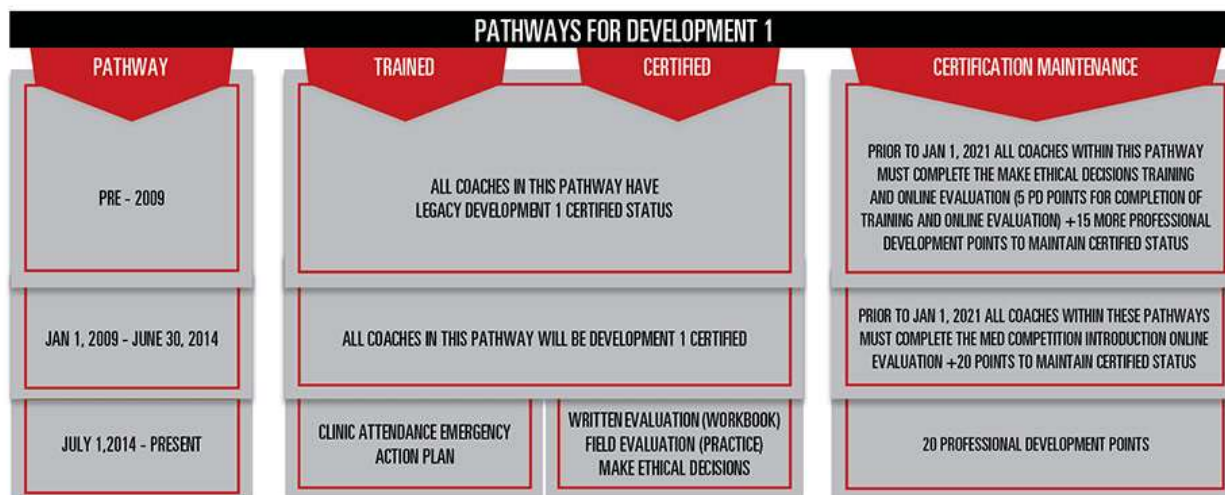
Certification:

Pathway for certification is shown in graphic above.

NOTE: Hockey Canada, CAC or Member Branches do not require CERTIFIED status in this stream, only TRAINED.

POLICY: All Head Coaches, that coach teams in Peewee or above teams at competitive levels, as determined by the Branch, must be Development 1 "Certified" (other than those requiring High Performance 1). It is recommended that all assistant coaches have Development 1 "Trained" status.

COMPETITION INTRODUCTION STREAM: DEVELOPMENT 1

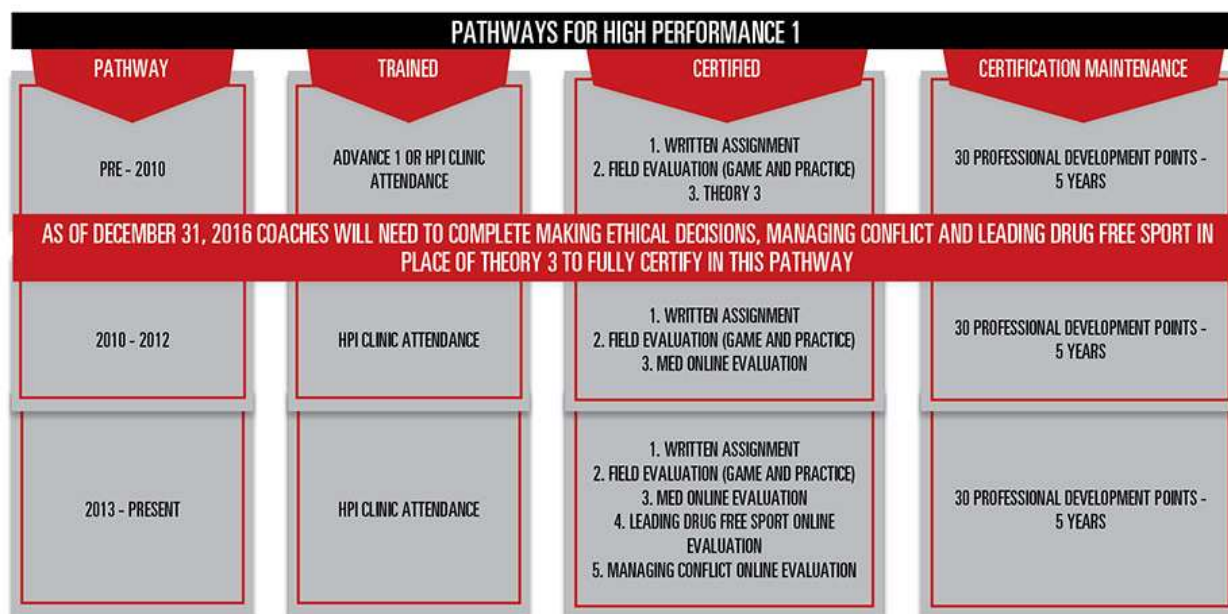


Overview

Coaches learn good coaching habits when they have the opportunity to practice effective coaching behaviors. This clinic is designed to give coaches plenty of opportunities to do and think for themselves. Coaches in Development 1 get an in-depth practical look into, Team Building, Skill Development, Drill Design, Developing Drill Progressions, Practice Planning, Developing Athletic Abilities, Individual Skills and Tactics and Making Ethical Decisions.

All Head Coaches coaching Bantam, Midget, Junior A teams that compete in Interprovincial or National Championships or the highest level as determined by the Branch, must be High Performance 1 "Certified". It is recommended that all Assistant coaches be at minimum Development 1 "Trained". This policy started in the 2015/16 season and 2016/17 for Junior 'A'.

COMPETITION DEVELOPMENT STREAM: HIGH PERFORMANCE 1



Overview

The High Performance stream is for those who are coaching players in the Bantam AAA, Minor Midget AAA, Midget AAA and Junior A age categories and who have aspirations to coach at national and international competitions. Players in these age categories are 13 to 21 years old, and they have shown the skills needed to be considered emerging players.

Coaches attending HPI Seminars will get an opportunity to work in group and individual settings in areas such as, Ethics & Leadership in Coaching, Teaching and Leading Techniques, Physical Preparation, PP, PK, Advanced Skill Analysis, Leading Drug Free Sport and Conflict Management.

INSTRUCTIONAL STREAM HOCKEY CANADA - NATIONAL COACHING CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

AREAS OF FOCUS				
SKATING	CHECKING SKILLS	DEVELOPING DEFENCEMEN	SKILLS	GOALTENDING
1, 2, 3 ADVANCED, MASTER	1, 2, 3 ADVANCED, MASTER	1, 2, 3 ADVANCED, MASTER	1, 2, 3 ADVANCED, MASTER	1, 2, 3 ADVANCED, MASTER

STATUS			
CLINIC/SEMINAR	AGE GROUP	TRAINED	CERTIFIED
IS 1 TRAINED TO TRAIN BEGINNER LEVEL PLAYERS	*5-6 YRS INITIATION 7-8 YRS NOVICE 9-10 YRS ATOM	ATTENDANCE AND SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF ALL TASKS INCLUDING MAKE ETHICAL DECISIONS TRAINING AT AN IS 1 CLINIC IN A SPECIFIC IS AREA OF FOCUS	NO CERTIFIED STATUS AT EITHER IS 1 OR 2
IS 2 TRAINED TO TRAIN BEGINNER AND INTERMEDIATE LEVEL PLAYERS	11-12 YRS PEEWEE 13-14 YRS BANTAM 15-17 YRS MIDGET	ATTENDANCE AND SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF ALL TASKS AT IS 1 AND 2 CLINICS IN A SPECIFIC IS AREA OF FOCUS	
IS 3 TRAINED TO TRAIN BEGINNER, INTERMEDIATE, AND ADVANCED LEVEL PLAYERS, AS WELL AS COACHES AND IS 1 AND 2 INSTRUCTORS	5-17 YRS (INITIATION TO MIDGET)	ATTENDANCE AND SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF ALL TASKS AT ALL IS 1 AND 2 CLINICS FOR ALL FIVE AREAS OF FOCUS. ATTENDANCE AT NATIONAL INSTRUCTIONAL STREAM SKILLS SEMINAR OR NATIONAL INSTRUCTIONAL STREAM GOALTENDING SEMINAR ATTENDANCE AT NCCP COACH DEVELOPER TRAINING - CORE TRAINING FOR COACH EVALUATORS	TRAINED STATUS IN IS 1 AND 2 PLUS: SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF MAKE ETHICAL DECISIONS ONLINE EVALUATION SUCCESSFUL EVALUATION OF THE WRITTEN ASSIGNMENT SUCCESSFUL FIELD EVALUATIONS OF SKATING, SKILLS, CHECKING SKILLS, AND DEVELOPING DEFENCEMEN OR SUCCESSFUL FIELD EVALUATION OF GOALTENDING
IS ADVANCED TRAINED TO TRAIN PLAYERS OF ALL AGES, AS WELL AS IS 1 AND 2 INSTRUCTORS	5-20+ YRS INCLUDING: MIDGET AAA, JUNIOR, PRO	CERTIFIED IS 3 EXPERTS CHOSEN BY HOCKEY CANADA ATTENDANCE AT NCCP COACH DEVELOPER TRAINING - CORE TRAINING FOR LEARNING FACILITATORS	CERTIFIED IS 3 PLUS: SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF LEARNING FACILITATOR CO-DELIVERY AND EVALUATION SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF COACH EVALUATOR CO-DELIVERY AND EVALUATION
IS MASTER TRAINED TO TRAIN PLAYERS OF ALL AGES, AS WELL AS COACHES AND IS 1, 2, AND 3 INSTRUCTORS SELECTED BY HOCKEY CANADA TO TRAIN DELEGATES AT THE NATIONAL INSTRUCTIONAL STREAM SEMINAR	5-20+ YRS INCLUDING: MIDGET, AAA, JUNIOR, PRO	CERTIFIED ADVANCED SUBJECT-MATTER EXPERTS CHOSEN BY HOCKEY CANADA ATTENDANCE AT NCCP COACH DEVELOPER TRAINING - CORE TRAINING FOR MASTER COACH DEVELOPERS	CERTIFIED ADVANCED PLUS SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF MASTER COACH DEVELOPER CO-DELIVERY AND EVALUATION

*THREE AREAS OF FOCUS ARE NOT APPROPRIATE FOR THIS AGE GROUP: CHECKING SKILLS, DEVELOPING DEFENCEMEN, AND GOALTENDING.

The Instructional Stream is a series of clinics that assists hockey coaches and players in developing the skills required to play the game of hockey. These clinics are composed of in-class and on-ice sessions, and are facilitated by instructors trained by Hockey Canada. Coaches' clinics are offered on five different topics: skating, checking skills, goaltending, developing defenceman, and skills. The focus of these clinics is to assist the coach in developing the knowledge and skills to teach and develop age-appropriate skills (based upon Hockey Canada's Long Term Player Development model).

Download the complete guide to the NCCP Instructional Stream (pdf)

Register for a hockey coaching clinic

Within the Hockey Canada structure the Coach Stream, Development Stream and High Performance Stream are delivered at the provincial level.

Register for a clinic or contact your Member Branch.

Please contact the Coaching Association of Canada if you have any questions about the National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP). You can reach the Member Services Department at 613-235-5000 or at coach@coach.ca.



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