Coach Eligibility & Certification

*This is a Volleyball PEI Policy applicable to all registered members.*

Volleyball PEI has Coach Eligibility & Certification requirements to ensure that all coaches participating in sanctioned activities have the knowledge and training necessary to provide every athlete with a safe, inclusive and responsible sport experience. **Note: This policy will be Reviewed Annually as per Volleyball Canada’s changes. *Last Review: March 2022.***

**Guiding Principles:**

All athletes have the right to a NCCP Certified coach.

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 Volleyball Canada’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.

**Head Coaches: Need Minimum Section A + C**

**All other Persons In Authority:** **Need Minimum Section B**

**Mandatory ELIGIBILITY Requirements for Head Coaches:**

***Head Coaches*** listed on any roster must complete the requirements in **SECTION A** (below) to be eligible to participate. These requirements are mandatory for all Head Coaches regardless of certification status.

***DEADLINE:*** Prior to first practice of sanctioned club.

***SANCTIONS:*** Head Coaches who are missing any or all of the requirements in Section A (below) should not interact with an youth in-person or electronically as a Person in Authority, and should not be included on any team roster, until completed.

**SECTION A:**

**Criminal Record Check / Vulnerable Sector Check**

A copy must be on filewith Volleyball PEI within the last 3 years.

**Safe Sport Training - Coaches Association of Canada (CAC)** Click:  <https://safesport.coach.ca/participants-training>  and click **TAKE THE TRAINING** (red box in lower right hand corner).  This is **FREE** and will take approx. 1.5hrs to complete.

**Making Head Way in Sport eLearning**

<https://coach.ca/making-head-way-concussion-elearning-series>

**Make Ethical Decisions (MED) Online Evaluation**

Coaches can choose to take the MED NCCP Multi Sport Module and then complete the MED Online Evaluation for **FREE**. Volleyball PEI will cover cost of in-person module if coach is registered as a FULL Coach with Volleyball PEI. To see list of MED courses being offered: <https://sportpei.pe.ca/nccp/>

**Foundations of Volleyball eLearning**

Foundations of Volleyball eLearning introduces coaches to Volleyball Canada’s teaching methodologies and long-term athlete development principles. <https://coach.volleyball.ca/>

**Mandatory ELIGIBILITY Requirements for any Persons in Authority (PIA):**

***All additional Persons in Authority (PIA)*** listed on any roster must complete the requirements in Section B (below) to be eligible to participate. In addition to the Head Coach, a Person in Authority includes, but is not limited to, all assistant coaches, team trainers and team managers who are listed on the roster. These requirements are mandatory for all Persons in Authority regardless of certification status.

***DEADLINE:*** Prior to first engagement with team (ie. Parent helps 3rd tournament).

***SANCTIONS:*** Any Persons in Authority who are missing any or all of the requirements in Section B (below) will be ineligible to participate with their team as a Persons in Authority at the Provincial Championship for that year and will not be listed on the final team roster.

**SECTION B:**

**Criminal Record Check / Vulnerable Sector Check** on file within the last 3 years

**Safe Sport Training - Coaches Association of Canada (CAC)** click: <https://safesport.coach.ca/participants-training> and click TAKE THE TRAINING (red box in lower right hand corner). This is FREE and will take approx. 1.5hrs to complete.

**Minimum CERTIFICATION Requirements for Head Coaches:**

All ***Head Coaches*** listed on any club team roster must meet the requirements below for the age group that they are coaching.

***DEADLINE:*** Prior to first competition of sanctioned club. Ex: April 1st for Spring League program.

***SANCTIONS:*** Head Coaches who do not meet the requirements for that year (outlined below) will be not be permitted to coach at the Provincial Championship.

**SECTION C:**

**Head Coach - 14U, 15U or 16U** must have “**TRAINED” DEVELOPMENT COACH** status

*\*If your club is participating outside of PEI or playing teams from off-Island you will be required to follow the Volleyball Canada Coach Certification Policy.*

\*By their 3rd year coaching at this level, the coach is required to be a **CERTIFIED DEVELOPMENT COACH**.

**Head Coach - 17U, 18U** – “**TRAINED” ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT COACH** status

All coaches participating as a Head Coach at a 17U or 18U programs are required to have TRAINED ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT COACH status.

\*By their 3rd year coaching at this level, the coach is required to have **CERTIFIED ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT COACH** status.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**

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. Refer to ***Volleyball Canada’s NCCP Certification Maintenance Guide*** on how to remain Active.

**Below is the Suggested Timeline Head Coaches follow to meet the**

**Year 3 Certification Requirements:**

**Certification Timeline Recommendations** *(see next page)*

*Note: all registered FULL COACHES with VPEI will get reimbursed for all costs associated with*

*coach certification upon their completion and submission of receipts*.

**DEVELOPMENT COACH – CERTIFIED (13U-16U)**

Recommended timelines for training tasks in the Development Coach – Certified (13U-16U) pathway. Coaches are encouraged to complete tasks as soon as they are able and do not necessarily have to wait for the year indicated. Coaches should only register for the Development Coach Evaluation once all other tasks have been completed & they have time to dedicate to completing it within 2-4 weeks of registration.

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| **Year** | **Tasks** | **Time** | **Cost** |
| 1 | [Foundations of Volleyball eLearning](https://coach.volleyball.ca/)   * [Make Ethical Decision Online Workshop & Evaluation](https://www.coach.ca/-p156128) – Next on March 8th, 2022 * [Making Head Way (Generic)](https://www.coach.ca/-p153487) eLearning * CAC Safe Sport Training - eLearning | 1.5 hours  45 minutes  90 minutes  45 minutes | $89 or free\*  $30 or free\*  Free  Free |
| 2 | * Development Coach Workshop * Nutrition eLearning * Emergency Action Plan | Online (16 hrs total)  45 minutes  15 minutes | $125 or free\*  Free  Free |
| 3 | * Development Coach Evaluation\* | 4-6 hours | $120 or free\* |

**ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT COACH – CERTIFIED (17U-18U)**

Recommended timelines for training tasks in the Advanced Development Coach – Certified (17U-18U) pathway. Coaches are encouraged to complete tasks as soon as they are able and do not necessarily have to wait for the year indicated. Coaches should only register for the Development Coach Evaluation once all other tasks have been completed & they have time to dedicate to completing it.

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| **Year** | **Tasks** | **Time** | **Cost** |
| 1 | [Foundations of Volleyball eLearning](https://coach.volleyball.ca/)   * [Make Ethical Decision Workshop/Online Evaluation](https://www.coach.ca/-p156128) – Next on March 8th, 2022 * [Making Head Way (Generic)](https://www.coach.ca/-p153487) eLearning * Development Coach Workshop * CAC Safe Sport Training – eLearning | 1.5 hours  45 minutes  90 minutes  Online (16 hrs total)  45 minutes | $89 or free\*  $30 or free\*  Free  $125 or free\*  Free |
| 2 | * Adv. Development Coach Workshop * Nutrition eLearning * Design a Basic Sport Program * Basic Mental Skills * Emergency Action Plan (if not already completed) * Development Coach Evaluation | Weekend (18 hours)  45 minutes  4 hours  4 hours  15 minutes  4-6 hours | $175 or free\*  Free  $30 or free\*  $30 or free\*  Free  $120 or free\* |
| 3 | * Advanced & Development Coach Eval\* | 4-6 hours | $120 or free\* |