



Coaching Association of Canada (CAC) and National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP)

Launched in 1974, the National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP) is the CAC's flagship program, and has been identified as a world leader in coach education. It is currently the largest adult continuing education program in Canada. The NCCP gives coaches the confidence to succeed and is designed & delivered in partnership with the government of Canada, provincial/territorial governments, and national/provincial/territorial sport organizations.

The Coaching Association of Canada (CAC) develops the National Standards for all National Coaching Certification Programs (NCCP) in Canada. It is recognized as the most extensive and fundamental program affecting sport development in Canada touching virtually every sport delivery system. To be certified and recognized at any given level of coaching/instructing, coaches/instructors must successfully complete all components for that context. The goal is to produce certified coaches/instructors with sound and well-tested coaching/instructing techniques to improve the performance of Canada athletes/participants locally, provincially, and nationally.

The CAC assigns every coach/instructor candidate with a NCCP# in which the coach is recognized within the CAC database with. This number never changes for that coach. Under this number is a transcript of everything that the coach has achieved from training all the way through to certification. This transcript is known as a coach's NCCP transcript.

There are three stages in which the Coaching Association of Canada recognizes coaches at:

In Training

- While taking courses prospective coaches will be recognized in the CAC (Coaching Association of Canada) database as **In Training**.

Trained

- Coaches who have completed Training but have not yet been certified will be recognized in the CAC database as **Trained**.

Certified

- Once the candidate has been evaluated and has demonstrated competency the candidate will be recognized in the CAC database as **Certified**.