

2026 VBC Coach Requirements

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

Volleyball BC (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.

All Coaches & Staff on a Roster		
Cost	Requirements	Description
	Membership Waiver Form & Criminal Record Check (CRC).	❖ 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
Free	Safe Sport Training	❖ 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.
\$85	Making Ethical Decisions (MED) Online Evaluation	❖ 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.
Free	Making Head Way in Sport eLearning	❖ Making Head Way emodule will help coaches gain knowledge and skills required to ensure the safety of participants.

All 12U-14U Head Coaches		
Cost	Requirements	Description
\$89	The Big 4 Coaching Requirements Foundations of Volleyball	❖ Foundations of Volleyball eLearning introduces coaches to VC's teaching methodologies and long-term athlete development principles.
All 15U-18U Head Coaches		
Cost	Requirements	Description
\$175	The Big 4 Coaching Requirements Foundations of Volleyball **Development Coach Workshop**	❖ The Development Coach Workshop is designed to introduce the game of volleyball and basic methodology to the introductory coach working with "Train to Train" athletes (13-16 age groups).

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- Coaches and team staff should register and complete the PIA Check by **December 1, 2024**. It is mandatory that PIA Checks must be completed before the first team practice. MED Eval, Making Headway, and all HC requirements must be completed by **March 1st**. (Must be completed or registered for Dev. Coach Workshop).
- Missing Big 4 Requirements (All Coaches) will result in a \$250 sanction and disqualification from participating at Provincials. Missing Head Coaching Requirements will result in a \$250 sanction, but participation at provincials is still allowed.
- 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".
- ALL Coaches participating at Volleyball Canada's Nationals, including assistant coaches, need to have Foundations of Volleyball.
- Head Coaches participating at VC Nationals in their 1st or 2nd year need the Development Coach Workshop. If it's their 3rd year plus they need to be Development Coach Certified. **Coaches needing to be Evaluated for 2026 Nationals must be registered for an evaluation by Feb. 1st**
- 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.

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