



SASKATCHEWAN
SOCCER ASSOCIATION



Female Mentorship Program



On Saturday, April 29, Saskatchewan Soccer's Female Mentorship Program came together in Regina to celebrate another successful year of the program and to begin planning education programming, events, and outreach for 2024-25. Astrid Baecker, UofR Women's Soccer Head Coach and Kia Stoller, Sask Sport, Sport Consultant presented to the group before the evening activities kicked off. The group was treated to an intense Walking Soccer match vs the SSA Board of Directors. The evening saw the group host a first-ever Women-in-Sport Event bringing together female leaders across the sport system for a networking event. More information on the Female Mentorship Program can be [found here](#).



Soccer Day in Saskatchewan – Saskatoon -July 28-30, 2023



SOCCER DAY IN SASKATCHEWAN

Soccer Day in Saskatchewan will take place in Saskatoon this year kicking off on Friday, July 28 with events taking place throughout the weekend.

Stakeholder Development Calendar



We are excited to share with Saskatchewan Soccer Association members the opportunity to access The Stakeholder Development Calendar developed by FSQ Sport. It is a tool that provides guidance on the operations and communications to run a quality sport organization from pre-season to AGM reporting.

The calendar was created to make operating your club easier and more organized to increase the value to your participants. The content included can be adjusted based on your season and your stakeholders to include what is relevant to them. Join us on May 24th at 12 pm to learn about the tool and how it can support your club.

Register To Learn More

Coach Education

Spring is a busy time of year for our Coach Education programs.

Canada Soccer Advanced Coach Education

Our spring C Licence wrapped in Saskatoon with 28 Coaches from across the province achieving their trained status!



Canada Soccer Grassroots Coach Education

There were lots of Grassroots on-field workshops held across the province this past month. If you're a Coach looking to complete your on-field workshop, please contact your local member organization to find out where and when your next available opportunity is in your area. Clubs interested in hosting a Coaches Workshop can do so by contacting m.reinkens@sasksoccer.com



2023 Canada Soccer Coach Education Minimum Standards

Safe Sport Roster

Ahead of the start of the 2023 soccer season, all member organizations that offer soccer programming in a Canada Soccer Member Association Province and Territory will be required to meet the minimum standards of the Quality Soccer Provider level of the Canada Soccer Youth Club Licensing Program in support of the guiding principles of the [Safe Sport Roster](#).

Canada Soccer has updated its Rules and Regulations to include Regulations for the Registration and Control of Coaches in support of the Safe Sport Roster. In addition, as part of the requirements of the system-wide adoption of the Youth Club Licensing Program coaches will be required to complete the following:

| Grassroots/Competitive Streams |
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| Full Safe Sport Roster – Required Training |
| 1. Criminal Record Check with Vulnerable Sector Screen |
| 2. Stage-appropriate Canada Soccer Grassroots Coach Education – Theory Module (Active Start, Fundamentals, Learn to Train, Soccer for Life) |
| 3. Stage-appropriate Canada Soccer Grassroots Coach Education – Practical Module (Active Start, Fundamentals, Learn to Train, Soccer for Life) |
| 4. NCCP Make Ethical Decisions Module and/or Online Evaluation |
| 5. Respect in Sport Activity Leader Program |
| 6. NCCP Making Headway Module |
| 7. NCCP Emergency Action Planning Module |
| 8. NCCP Rule of Two Module |

| Grassroots – Community/Community Streams* |
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| Modified Safe Sport Roster – Required Training |
| 1. Criminal Record Check with Vulnerable Sector Screen |
| 2. Canada Soccer Grassroots Coach Education – Coaching Soccer in Canada Module |
| 3. Respect in Sport Activity Leader Program |
| Highly Recommended Training: |
| 4. Stage-appropriate Canada Soccer Grassroots Coach Education – Theory Module (Active Start, Fundamentals, Learn to Train, Soccer for Life) |
| 5. Stage-appropriate Canada Soccer Grassroots Coach Education – Practical Module (Active Start, Fundamentals, Learn to Train, Soccer for Life) |
| Recommended Training: |
| 6. Other requirements of the full Safe Sport Roster |

*Member Organizations in Saskatchewan that qualify for the Modified Safe Sport Roster are those where programming / competition is delivered in-house only.

*Programs that travel outside their area for competition / tournament play and or league play against other member clubs or associations will be required to meet the Full Safe Sport Roster training details.

2023 Outdoor Provincial Championships

A reminder of the registration deadline for all outdoor-based Provincials is May 15th. This

includes the 2023 SaskTel Soccer for Life 11-Aside Outdoor Youth Provincial Championships (July 7-9, 2023 in Regina) and the Four Corners Rural Championships, Masters Championships, and Saskatchewan Open Cup, to be held during Soccer Days in Saskatchewan from July 28-30, 2023 in Saskatoon.

Registration **must be completed** by your Member Organization – individual teams should contact their member organization before completing registration.

Register for [SaskTel Soccer for Life 11-Aside Outdoor Youth Provincial Championships](#)

Register for [Soccer for Life Masters Championships](#)

Register for [Saskatchewan Open Cup](#)

Register for [Four Corners Rural Championships](#)

Referee Update

The weekend of April 28-30 marked the very first 2023 Canada Soccer Referee Women's Program Camp in Montreal. Shukwia Tajik attended the camp representing SK. In the same weekend, the 2023 NextGen program has also met with two Saskatchewan referees in attendance – Theo Diederichsen (left) and Ian Adams (right). Members of the NextGEN list are eligible for appointment to professional Canadian competitions including the Canadian Premier League and the Canadian Championship.

April 27-29 concluded the pre-season education for the Saskatchewan Elite Referee Program as well as the Candidates Program and the Instructor/Assessor Group. A total of 43 unique participants have participated in 9 education sessions with the current IFAB Laws of the Game to be applied in the 2023 outdoor season.



Reminder from the Registrar

Mark your calendars!

June 7, 2023 – all registrations up to and including May 31 will need to be submitted to make sure you avoid late fees.

You can find the [submission form \(includes soccer, futsal, and referees\)](#) on our website, ready to download and fill in.

If you require assistance or have questions, please feel free to contact registrar@sasksoccer.com.

Everyone's Game

Resource Centre

Visit **Everyone's Game Resource** Centre in our bi-weekly communication to find informational and inspirational articles, member interviews, and developmental opportunities.

Education Resource: Overcoming vs. Dismantling Barriers to Sport and Physical Activity for New to Canada Participant

Thursday, May 11, 2023, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. PDT / 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. EDT

Within the quality sport and physical literacy ecosystem, there are many barriers faced by New to Canada Participants. How can we dismantle them, so that everybody has access to these opportunities?

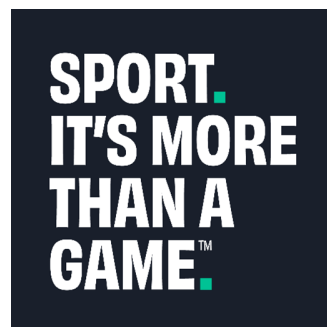
In this webinar, hear from panellists Noël Bahliby (Director of Youth Programs with the Centre for Newcomers), Kiruthika Rathanaswami (Adult Program Manager with Volleyball BC) and Craig Brown (Facilitator with Anti-Racism in Sport) as they discuss:

- the important programs they support in their communities for New to Canada Participants,
- the barriers New to Canada Participants face and ideas on how those barriers could be overcome, and their insights on creating systemic change to dismantle barriers to participation.

Register Today

SSA Calendar of Events & Deadlines

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