



National Championship League (NCL) Coaches
Summary Document

Coaching Requirements

		14U	16U	19U and Major League Water Polo (MLWP)	Age Group National Team (AGNT) <i>for reference only</i>
All Coaches (incl. 2nd assistant coach)*	Make Ethical Decisions Online Evaluation	Required	Required	Required	Required
	Making Head Way in Sport (Generic) Module	Required	Required	Required	Required
	Criminal Record Check**	Required	Required	Required	Required
	Respect in Sport for Activity Leaders Module	Required	Required	Required	Required
Head Coach*	NCCP Requirement	Competitive Coach Certified	Competitive Coach Certified	Advanced Competitive Coach Trained OR Competition-Development Coach In Training OR Level 3 Certified	Advanced Competitive Coach Certified OR Competition-Development Coach Trained
	Competition Development Multisport Modules Required	0	1	3 OR Level 3 Certified	n/a
1st Assistant Coach*	NCCP Requirement	Competitive Coach Trained	Competitive Coach Certified	Competitive Coach Certified	Advanced Competitive Coach Trained OR Competition-Development Coach In Training
	Competition Development Multisport Modules Required	0	0	2	n/a
Deadline		14U Conference Finals*	31-Dec-19*	31-Dec-19*	31-Dec-19

*NCL Coaches are expected to adhere to the Responsible Coaching Movement, including the Rule of Two, Background Screening, and Respect and Ethics training. For more information, please refer to the NCL Handbook.

**Criminal Record Checks are due before coaching first NCL game.

Competition Development Multisport Modules

- Advanced Practice Planning
- Coaching and Leading Effectively
- Developing Athletic Abilities
- Leading Drug Free Sport
- Manage a Sport Program
- Managing Conflict
- Performance Planning
- Prevention and Recovery
- Psychology of Performance

The modules are offered by the Provincial/Territorial Coaching Representatives (PTCR). Please click on the links below to view the various PTCR schedules.

- [British Columbia \(viaSPORT\)](#)
- [Alberta \(Alberta Sport Connection\)](#)
- [Saskatchewan \(Coaches Association of Saskatchewan\)](#)
- [Manitoba \(Sport Manitoba\)](#)
- [Ontario \(Coaches Association of Ontario\)](#)
- [Québec \(Sports Québec\)](#)
- [New Brunswick \(Coach NB entraîneur\)](#)
- [Nova Scotia \(Coaching NS\)](#)

Make Ethical Decisions Online Evaluation

All NCL coaches must have completed the [Make Ethical Decisions online evaluation](#).

Making Head Way in Sport (Generic)

All NCL coaches must have completed the [Making Head Way in Sport \(Generic\) module](#) (a free NCCP online course on concussions).

Criminal Record Check

Criminal record checks must be from May 2018 or later as to still be valid at the end of the 2019-2020 season. A copy of the criminal record check must be sent to the [Sport Development Manager](#) before the coach coaches their first NCL game.

Respect in Sport for Activity Leaders Module

All NCL coaches must have completed the [Respect in Sport for Activity Leaders](#) by the deadline. This online module is required once every five years.

Maintenance of Certification

Coaches who have not completed the required 16 Professional Development (PD) points within the four-year maintenance cycle will have their certification status switched to “Certified – Not Renewed.” These coaches will not be seen as having met the requirements to coach in the NCL and will receive demerit points until they complete the required number of PD points to rectify their coaching status. For more information, please visit waterpolo.ca/maintenance.aspx.

Exemptions

Clubs who wish to use a coach who does not meet the coaching requirements laid out above can apply for an exemption. Clubs will have to submit an [Exemption Form](#) to the [Sport Development Manager](#) who will determine if the coaching exemption will be allowed on a case by case basis. All exemption requests must be received by December 31, 2019.