



# COACHING REQUIREMENT FOR U11 HOCKEY



## FAIR AND EQUAL ICE TIME

- All players should have the same opportunity to contribute, regardless of skill or ability. A coach's responsibility is to develop all players. Shortening the bench in an attempt to win games is not permitted. All players and goaltenders should receive fair and as close to equal as possible ice time.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

- Positional rotation:
  - All players play all positions – forward (LW-C-RW)/defence (LD-RD)/goaltender.
  - All players get a chance to start the game and play in end-of game situations.
- Goaltender rotation:
  - Full-time goaltenders allowed.
  - Goaltenders rotate for equal amount of playing time throughout the regular season and playoffs.
    - Goaltenders alternate games or split games as close to 50/50 as possible.
    - Each goaltender plays the final game in an equal number of tournaments.
    - The rotation schedule should be done in consultation with the goaltender and parents – share games or alternate playing full games.
  - The goaltender not playing the game should be allowed to play as a skater.

## HEAD COACHES OF U11 TEAMS REQUIRE:

1. Hockey University 1 / 2  
Online Community Coach training
2. NCCP Coach 2 for House League & DS Teams (*only Trained status needed, not Certified*)  
NCCP Development 1 Trained for Competitive Teams (*minimum requirement*)
3. Checking Skills
4. Respect in Sport for Activity Leaders

# COMMUNITY COACH STREAM: COACH 2 - COACH LEVEL

CERTIFICATION IS NOT REQUIRED AT COACH 2 - A COACH CAN STAY TRAINED INDEFINITELY.

## PATHWAY FOR COACH 2 - COACH LEVEL



## OVERVIEW

The NCCP Coach 2 – Coach Level clinic is a competency-based education and training method of learning for all new and recreational-level coaches, emphasizing basic skills and the importance of players developing confidence, self-esteem and a love for the game.

The clinic introduces player development and will teach coach knowledge, skills and attitudes in:

- Communicating effectively with athletes and parents.
- Supporting the athlete in a team environment.
- Supporting the athlete in the training environment.
- Supporting the athlete in a practice environment.
- Supporting the athlete in a game environment.

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT – NCCP INSTRUCTIONAL CLINICS

Hockey Canada has created a series of instructional clinics in addition to the Coach Stream program. While the coaching clinic is more specific to supporting coaches in the team environment, the instructional clinics are specific to teaching skills in all areas of the game.

OWHA offer these clinics as a way of supporting and enhancing the ongoing development of coaches in:

- Skating
- Skills
- Developing Defence
- Shooting and Scoring
- Small-Area Games
- Checking Skills
- Goaltending