

WRRRA Coaching Report

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Professional Development

As per the membership notice previously sent out and found on the ORA website at http://www.ontario-ringette.com/administration/member_notices/Notice%20to%20the%20Members%20-%20Professional%20Development.pdf . All coaches are required to complete professional development in order to maintain their coaching credentials on a five year cycle. The Region will be offering opportunities to satisfy this PD requirement to all coaches with a variety of different courses/clinics.

As the ringette season is busy for all of us we will begin to offer PD courses in the latter part of the season and into the Spring.

We have currently set up the following PD courses:

'Understanding the Skills Matrix-Why do we need it?'

February 20 in Kitchener

March 1 in London

'Those are the Rules - Closing the Gap between Coaches and Officials'

February 27 in Kitchener

Please stay tuned to the Region website for more information as these clinics and courses become available.

Bench Staff Code of Conduct

All bench staff are reminded that they have signed the Bench Staff Code of Conduct Agreement (ORA Form C-F-01) and we trust that bench staff will adhere to both the letter and spirit of this Code of Conduct. A number of bench staff have already been ejected and suspensions levied throughout the province including in our own Region this year so I ask that coaches, managers and trainers try to represent their team, association and Western Region appropriately during all sanctioned events.

I would also like to remind coaches that you are responsible for the conduct of your fans during all sanctioned events. I know this is difficult when you are on the bench but I hope that each coach within our Region has met with their parents to discuss the behaviour expected from all of them while at the arena both towards other fans and the officials and in addition if a situation should arise that they deal with these problems as quickly as possible to ensure there are not similar issues in the future.

Bench Staff Substitutions

For all sanctioned events (tournaments) teams that require a bench staff substitution must complete the applicable form for which a copy can be found at <http://www.ontario-ringette.com/administration/documents/C-F-02.pdf>. Once completed the form should be sent to Karla Xavier at the ORA office for approval.

Operating Manual

All coaches are reminded of the importance of reviewing the ORA Operating Manual, especially the sections on Coaching, Games and Tournaments and Sport Development. The Operating Manual can be found at <http://www.ontario-ringette.com/administration/index.php?sub=administration>

Interested in Getting Involved:

If you are interested in getting involved with helping to facilitate coaching clinics in our Region please let me know as we are always looking for interested and enthusiastic people to join the team.

Questions?

Don't hesitate to contact me at coachwrra@wrra.ca with any coaching related questions. Have a great season!

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