

WRRR Coaching Report - November 2014

Bench Staff Qualification Requirements:

Provincial Level

- reminder this season all coaches at the U12P and A levels must have completed both the CI-1 and CI-2 clinics as well as completed the Making Ethical Decisions- Competition Introduction module on the NCCP website prior to January 8, 2015 to be qualified to remain on their respective team's bench.
- The process for arranging your CI Evaluation has also changed. Please review the coaching section of the WRRR website for details on how to set up your evaluation if needed.

Regional Level

- all **new** coaches beginning this season with no previous qualifications, coaching at the U14, U16, U19 and +18 Regional levels (not A/AA) are now required to be CI Trained. This means rather than completing the CSI Clinic as previously required they are now to complete the two day CI-1/2 Clinic. Those that have previously taken their CSI course have until January 2019 to become CI-trained.
- all Regional coaches are also required to complete their Making Ethical Decisions-Community Sport e-learning module on the NCCP website prior to January 8, 2015 to be qualified to remain on their respective team's bench.

Age Requirement for all Bench Staff

- Head Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Managers and Trainers **must be eighteen (18) year of age or older.**
- The Bench Staff of a U16 or younger team may train a person sixteen (16) or seventeen (17) years of age, as of December 31st of the playing season, with no official duties, to be called a Coach in Training (CIT)

2014 Coaching Clinics

Coaching Clinics were very successful this fall. We have had two CI-1/2 clinics (44 participants), two CI-2 clinics (24 participants) and two CSI clinics (56 participants). We have been able to work with both Southern and Central Region to set up an additional CSI and CI-2 clinic for those coaches that have not yet completed their required qualifications.

CSI Clinic in Cambridge on Saturday December 13, 2014
CI-2 Clinic in Mississauga on Sunday December 14, 2014

To register please go to the Ringette Canada Coaching website and register for the required clinic as soon as possible to secure yourself a spot.

If you are a 'AA' coach please ensure you register for your Evaluation on the Ringette Canada Coaching website as soon as possible to ensure you are able to complete it prior to the January 8, 2015 deadline.

I would like to thank Guelph, London, Kitchener and Waterloo for their help with with supplying locations and ice for our clinics this fall. As well, I would like to Thank Mike Genereaux, Jodi Walsh and Craig Hennessey for their help with facilitating the clinics this year and helping with completion of Coaches' Evaluations.

Bench Staff Code of Conduct

All bench staff must sign 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. We will be collecting the signed agreements at the November meeting. Please be sure to collect from your coaches and bring with you. We have had some issues with coaches around the province over the past few seasons including some from our own Region so I ask that coaches try to represent their team, association and Western Region appropriately during all sanctioned events.

Association Coaching Coordinators/Tracking of Bench Staff Qualifications

As in the past, we ask that Associations play a major role in the tracking of bench staff qualifications. The ORA coaching database will be used to the extent possible to assist with the process.

Each Association's coaching coordinator or designate should ensure that all their coaches are properly qualified before the January 8, 2015 deadline. The easiest way to do this is to review each bench staff member's NCCP public transcript at www.coach.ca

All 'AA' coaches must be CI Certified meaning that their transcript will show they have taken the CI-1 clinic, CI-2 clinic, completed the Making Ethical Decisions-Competition Introduction module on the NCCP website and completed their CI Evaluation

All U12P & 'A' coaches must be CI-Trained meaning that their transcript will show they have taken the CI-1 clinic, CI-2 clinic and completed the Making Ethical Decisions-Competition Introduction module on the NCCP website

All Regional coaches should be CSI Trained meaning that their transcript will show they have taken the CSI clinic and have completed the Making Ethical Decisions-Community Sport module on the NCCP website. Reminder that all new Regional Coaches this year of teams U14 and up should have taken the appropriate clinic to be CI-Trained as per the new changes discussed above.

As for Managers and Trainers more details can be found upon reviewing the coaching chart in the ORA Operating Manual Coaching Section.

Coaching Resources

There are various coaching resources, such as sample practice plans and videos, available on the Ringette Canada website (www.ringette.ca). In addition, Ontario Ringette has developed 'Guides to Success' for U6 to U10 coaches and Associations. Ontario has also produced a 'Drills for Skills' index to help coaches quickly find effective drills to develop particular skills. These tools can be found at www.ontario-ringette.com => Coaching => Resources.

It is also important that coaches take the time to read the following resources so they better understand the rules, procedures and guidelines that have been established by both the ORA and Ringette Canada

- ORA Operating Manual, especially the Coaching and Games and Tournaments Sections
- Ringette Canada Rules and Case book

Questions?

Don't hesitate to contact me at coachwrra@wrra.ca, (H) 519-821-1778 or (C) 519-820-2077 with any coaching related questions. Have a great season!

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