MHSA COACHING REQUIREMENTS

Montana High School Association - Mandatory Training for ALL Coaches

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REQUIRED COURSES - TO BE COMPLETED BEFORE CONTACT WITH ATHLETES

- 1. Fundamentals of Coaching One-time requirement in a coach's career
 - Must be completed before any contact with student athletes
 - Take the course at: www.nfhslearn.com
- 2. CONCUSSION EDUCATION & COMPLIANCE Concussion in Sports Annual requirement.
 - Under the Dylan Steigers Protection of Youth Athletes Act (effective April 22, 2013):
 - All youth coaches, including elementary and middle school, must complete concussion
 education. If a youth shows signs or symptoms of a concussion, they must be
 immediately removed from play.
 - Resources available on the Sports Medicine Page at www.mhsa.org. Note: Only high school coaches are subject to MHSA compliance reporting.
 - Take the course at: www.nfhslearn.com
- 3. CPR & AED Training Annual requirement
 - Take the course at: www.nfhslearn.com
- 4. MHSA/ MOA RULES CLINICS NEW FORMAT ON ARBITER
 - Each sport now includes:
 - General MHSA or MOA Rules Clinic
 - Sport-Specific Rules Clinic (MHSA/NFHS updates)
 - Good news for multi-sport coaches or officials. You only need to complete the General Rules Clinic once per year for MHSA/MOA. However, you must complete a Sport-Specific Clinic for each season (Fall, Winter, Spring).
 - Take the course in Arbiter through your coach compliance area. Viewing Eligibility
 Requirements
 - You will want to sign into <u>arbiter.io</u> with the email address your AD added you with
 - Once signed in, you will then click on your name at the top right corner (drop down)
 - Then click on My Account
 - Then click on Eligibility
 - Then you can click on the sport and eligibility requirements that are required by the MHSA
 - **Your AD must add you to a team roster before you are enrolled into an eligibility as a coach
 - If they are saying they can't get to the eligibility page then here is a direct link: https://app.arbitersports.com/eligibility/coach
 - Once completed, your status will automatically update in Arbiter under your compliance area.

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TRACKING & REPORTING COMPLIANCE

- Arbiter will track all coach compliance this year.
- Coaches are responsible for confirming their administrator receives course verification.
- Administrators must report successful completion to MHSA annually.
- Compliance is officially reviewed each spring.

OUSEFUL LINKS & RESOURCES

- NFHS Learning Center
- NFHS Help Desk / FAQ
- NFHSLearn Rules Clinic Tutorial (PDF)