



2024 Volleyball Canada Youth National Championships Coach Eligibility Requirements

Volleyball Canada’s Youth National Championships Coach Eligibility Requirements ensure that all coaches participating in a National Championships have the knowledge and training necessary to provide every athlete with a safe, inclusive and responsible sport experience.

Guiding Principles:

All athletes have the right to a NCCP Certified coach.

All coaches have the responsibility to:

- Have the required training to provide an environment that is physically, mentally, emotionally and socially safe for all athletes and participants.
- Have the required training to be able to provide a responsible learning environment that incorporates VC’s teaching methodologies, technical guidelines and long-term athlete development principles.
- Ensure that all training is current and updated as required, to be able to provide a safe and responsible sport experience for all.

Mandatory Eligibility Requirements:

Head Coaches listed on any Nationals roster must complete the requirements listed below to be eligible to participate. These requirements are mandatory for all coaches regardless of certification status. All persons in authority (PIA) are required to complete the EPIC, Screening Disclosure Form and Safe Sport Training. PIA includes any individual assigned to a team roster.

SANCTIONS: Head Coaches who are missing any of the mandatory requirements will be ineligible to participate with their team in any capacity in 2024 and will not be listed on the team roster. No exemption will be provided.

Mandatory Head Coach Requirements	Enhanced Police Information Check (EPIC)*	Cost varies	<i>EPIC completed within the last 3 years</i>
	Screening Disclosure Form*	Free	<i>Screening Disclosure Form must be completed annually</i>
	<u>Coaches Association of Canada (CAC) Safe Sport Training *</u>	Free	<i>Credit will also be given for equivalent programs recognized by Sport Canada, i.e., Respect in Sport Activity Leader.</i>
	<u>Making Head Way in Sport eLearning **</u>	Free	<i>The Making Head Way eLearning provides coaches with the latest information specific to Concussion Management</i>
	<u>Foundations of Volleyball eLearning **</u>	\$89	<i>Foundations of Volleyball eLearning introduces coaches to VC’s teaching methodologies and long-term athlete development principles.</i>
	<u>Make Ethical Decisions (MED) Online Evaluation **</u>	\$85 or Free	<i>Credit for the Make Ethical Decisions (MED) Online Evaluation is required. Coaches can choose to take the MED NCCP Multi Sport Module and then complete the MED Online Evaluation for free or they can proceed directly to the MED Online Evaluation (without taking the module) for \$85.</i>

DEADLINES: Pending provincial and territorial membership approval* and March 30, 2024 **.

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Certification Requirements for Head Coaches:

All Head Coaches listed on any Nationals roster must meet the requirements below for the age category that they are coaching.

DEADLINE: March 30, 2024

SANCTIONS: Head Coaches who do not meet the requirements outlined below for 2024 will be subject to a \$250 CAD fine, payable prior to participation at Nationals. Any coach who received a Volleyball Canada Nationals fine in 2023 will be ineligible to participate in 2024, if the requirements listed below are not met.

	2024
14U 15U 16U	Head Coaches participating at a 14U, 15U or 16U Nationals for the 1 st time are required to have successfully completed a DEVELOPMENT COACH WORKSHOP . Head Coaches participating at a 14U, 15U or 16U Nationals for 3 rd time or more are required to have CERTIFIED DEVELOPMENT COACH status.
17U & 18U	Head Coaches participating at a 17U or 18U Nationals for the 1 st time are required to have successfully completed an ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT COACH (INDOOR) WORKSHOP . Head Coaches participating at a 17U or 18U Nationals for the 3 rd time or more are required to have CERTIFIED ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT COACH status.
IMPORTANT NOTES: Head Coaches who have achieved <i>Certified</i> status in their appropriate context are still required to complete the mandatory requirements and maintain <i>Active</i> status in the NCCP Locker. Coaches with an 'Inactive' status are not eligible. Please refer to <i>Volleyball Canada's NCCP Certification Maintenance Guide</i> on how to remain <i>Active</i> . A coach that has moved from 14U-16U into 17U-18U age group must have the appropriate requirements for the 17U-18U category. A coach who has the requirements for 17U-18U, is eligible for 14U-16U, however is encouraged to obtain education for the appropriate context. An exemption application to the Certification Requirements after the March 30, 2024 deadline, will only be considered under the following conditions: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1st year Head Coach at the 14U or 15U category. This will be verified through the Locker based on mandatory requirements dates of completion, i.e. Initial Locker Activity - Fall 2023-Winter 2024.A head coach is assigned to a team roster, after March 30, 2024 – based on approved roster changes by VC.A PTA is unable to offer a workshop or provide an evaluator due to unforeseen circumstances prior to the deadline.There is confirmation through The Locker of professional development taken within the previous 3 months (Jan-March 2024) not including the mandatory requirements. A request for an exemption will be available after March 30, 2024 through a Formstack link. Any exemptions provided by the PTA are not applicable to the VC Nationals exemption process. An exemption application does NOT guarantee an exemption will be provided.	

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