

INFORMATION BULLETIN

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To: Ontario Soccer; District Membership and Associate Members

CC: Ontario Soccer Board of Directors, Staff

From: Matt Ferreira, Manager, Coach Education, Player Development & Club Licensing

Subject: New Coach Education Courses Open for Registration

Ontario Soccer is pleased to announce new Grassroots Coach Education Courses, a Goalkeeper Coach Diploma Course and a National “C” Licence Course in a hybrid-delivery format with a practical day scheduled in Guelph to support coaches who wish to pursue further education.

Grassroots Coach Education Courses

To support coaches in the membership seeking to meet minimum requirements to be assigned as a Team Official, Ontario Soccer is offering the practical component of all grassroots coach education courses. These courses offer an introduction to coaching, at each respective age stage as defined by Canada Soccer’s Long-Term Player Development Framework, in order for coaches to provide a safe and fun environment for all players in their Club’s programs.


Module	Location	Date	Time
Active Start	In-Person	Saturday, September 17	8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Fundamentals	In-Person	Saturday, September 17	8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Learn to Train	In-Person	Saturday, September 17	12:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Soccer for Life	In-Person	Saturday, September 17	12:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

The in-person, on-field sessions shall be held at the Ontario Soccer Centre’s Indoor Field (7601 Martin Grove Rd, Vaughan, ON N1H 6J2). For more information on each of the grassroots coach education courses, please visit the [Ontario Soccer website](https://www.ontariosoccer.net).



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Goalkeeper Coach Diploma

An overview:

The Goalkeeper Coach Diploma Course is produced by Ontario Soccer and it combines theoretical & practical components of how to effectively coach Goalkeepers. Furthermore, this course is a pre-requisite for Canada Soccer's Youth Goalkeeper Licence. Coaches intending to apply for next year's course must be certified by the application cycle in the fall.

What do you learn?

The workshop's modules target the following subject matters:

- Role of the Goalkeeper and the Goalkeeper Coach
- Methodology of coaching a Goalkeeper
- Planning a session for a Goalkeeper
- Shot stopping: where they come from?
- Goalkeeper-specific fitness, agility and nutrition

What are the course pre-requisites?

Prior to registering for the Goalkeeper Coach Diploma Course, coaches must have completed the following:

- Canada Soccer [Learn to Train](#) **OR** [Soccer for Life](#) **OR** [C Licence](#) Certified or higher
- Ontario Soccer's [Goalkeeper Coach Certificate](#)
- [Make Ethical Decisions Course + Make Ethical Decisions Online Evaluation](#)
- [Respect in Sport Online Module](#)
- [Making Headway in Soccer Online Module](#)
- [NCCP Emergency Action Plan](#)

Structure of the course

The course will consist of four online Zoom sessions, one on-field practical session and a final assignment.

Module	Location	Date	Time
Introduction & Theory Part 1	Zoom Online	Saturday, September 10	10:00 a.m. -11:30 a.m.
Theory Part 2	Zoom Online	Monday, September 12	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Theory Part 3	Zoom Online	Tuesday, September 20	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Theory Part 4	Zoom Online	Thursday, September 29	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Practical Delivery	In-Person On-Field	Saturday, October 1	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

The on-field practical portion will take place at the Ontario Soccer Centre (7601 Martin Grove Road - Vaughan, ON N1H 6J2).

Please note: 100 per cent attendance and engagement is required for the duration of the course. Coaches must be in a workspace that allows them to actively participate in the course online with their cameras on.

What is the cost?

\$450

National C Licence

In collaboration with Guelph Soccer, this National 'C' License is available for female coaches only, however, in the spirit of diversity, equity & inclusion, Ontario Soccer may support the registration of equity seeking groups to this course.

Overview:

The National "C" Licence is the entry-level course for the Licensing Stream Pathway and prepares the coach to progress to the Advanced Coach Education Program whether in the Development Stream (children or youth) or Performance Stream (National B & A). The "C" Licence involves the facilitation of learning opportunities for the coach to develop an understanding of the coaching process.

What do you learn?

The "C" Licence content involves theoretical and practical components focusing on holistic, effective coaching. The workshop modules cover content including:


- Vision, mission, values;



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- Understanding the person, the practice & the play;
- Safe Sport, mental health & well-being in coaching;
- The coaching process;
- Designing and delivering a training session;
- Introduction to the principles of play;
- Developing the individual player;
- Introduction to the use of technology in coaching.

Coaches who obtain a “C” Licence Certification will be able to be a Head Coach in some Regional Leagues and an Assistant Coach in the Ontario Player Development League (OPDL). Please refer to each league’s rules & regulations for up-to-date information on coach licensing requirements.

What are the course pre-requisites?

Prior to registering for the C Licence Course, coaches must complete the following:

- [Learn to Train Theory](#) **OR** [Soccer for Life Theory](#) (certified preferred)
- [Make Ethical Decisions Course](#) + [Make Ethical Decisions Online Evaluation](#)
- [Respect in Sport Online Module](#)
- [Making Headway in Soccer Online Module](#)
- [NCCP Emergency Action Plan](#)

Structure of the C Licence Course

Hybrid delivery: the course will consist of eight (8) online sessions, two (2) hours in duration, and concluding with a single, full in-person day on-field

Dates & location – hybrid delivery

Entirely online on each day:

- Wednesday, September 22, 2022 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Wednesday, September 29, 2022 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Wednesday, October 6, 2022 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Wednesday, October 13, 2022 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Wednesday, October 20, 2022 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Wednesday, October 27, 2022 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Wednesday, November 3, 2022 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Wednesday, November 10, 2022 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The on-field practical session shall be held at the Royal Distributing Athletic Performance Centre (7384 Wellington County Rd 30, Guelph, ON N1H 6J2) on Saturday, November 12, 2022 from 8 p.m. - 5 p.m.



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What is the cost?
\$850

Application and registration

Coaches are required to apply for these courses via [Coach Centre](#), providing proof of their completion of the pre-requisites. Upon being approved, coaches are then able to register for the course they are interested in.

If you have any questions, please contact [Lyndon Hooper](#), Coordinator, Coach Education, Player Development & Club Licensing.

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