



Coaching Requirements

TI Approval Process

- ALL coaches need to have USA Hockey Registration, Age / Gender Specific USA Hockey coaching modules, SafeSport and Background checks done PRIOR to the season starting
- Our Admin will in contact after tryouts and during the beginning of the season to update individual coaches on their current status

CEP Certifications

- **(1) Required Coaching Education Program Levels for Ice Hockey**
- All coaches must have the required certification level by January 1 of the current season, unless earlier deadlines are established by the district and/or affiliate.
- All coaches must complete the online age-specific modules PRIOR to participating with their team.
- (a) All coaches must enter USA Hockey's Coaching Education Program at Level 1, and must continue their education with a coaching clinic each year until, at a minimum, they achieve Level 4. Coaches of only 8 and Under players should remain at Level 1 until such time as they are coaching any older age level of play.
- A coach may attend only one (1) certification clinic per year.
- Once Level 4 is achieved, coaches will need to complete 5 credit hours of continuing education within each subsequent three-year period [as outlined in Paragraph (c) below].
- (b) In addition to the training in paragraph (a) above, coaches must also complete online age-specific training modules specific to the level of play they are coaching, if they have not already taken that module. This requirement applies to all coaches at all levels, 1 through 5. Coaches may complete more than one age-specific module in any given season.
- (c) Effective in the 2021-22 season, coaching certification at Levels 4 and 5 is valid for three (3) seasons, as indicated by the expiration date. Before the expiration of their level, coaches must accumulate 5 credit hours of continuing education by either taking Level 5, or by attending other USA Hockey continuing education clinics. The USA Hockey clinic listings will indicate all continuing education offerings and the credit value of each. The Coaching Education Program retains the responsibility for defining continuing education credit values, including clinic or online course work.
- (d) Grandfather Clause
For those coaches who received Level 4 or Level 5 PRIOR TO January 1, 2021, only coaches of Tier I and Tier II teams are required to do continuing education as required in (c) above.
- (e) Previous/Expired Certifications
Coaches with any expired certification will retain their previous certification levels provided the certification

can be verified. Coaches may re-enter the certification system at that previous level and be subject to the certification guidelines in (a) through (c) above.

Coaching Education Clinics

- **Coaching Education clinics can be found on the USA Hockey website at this link:**

[Coaching Clinics \(usahockey.com\)](https://www.usahockey.com/coaching-clinics).

Age Specific Modules

www.usahockey.com/agespecificmodules

- **You must complete each module PRIOR to participating with your team or being placed on a roster.**
- Coaches must be current members of USA Hockey in order to register for the modules.
- Click on the link to register for a module or login to the module site to continue a previously registered module or access your account to view review any previously completed modules.
- You can register for only ONE module at a time. You must complete the module in its entirety before you can move on to another one.

SAFESPORT

www.usahockey.com/safesportprogram

- **The SafeSport Training and Refresher Training are each valid for one (1) season beginning on 4/1/22.**
- As of January 1, 2018, all relevant individuals who need to be SafeSport certified or are seeking recertification will need to complete the new SafeSport training, which features updated content.
- Once you have completed the Core SafeSport Course, there will be a Refresher Course available for individuals who have previously completed the core SafeSport course and need to recertify. Users completing the SafeSport refresher course will be certified for an additional season.

Please note, if you are a 2005 birth year or earlier, you will be required to take the SafeSport Core Training or Refresher Course prior to participation for the 2022-23 season.

Background Check

<https://www.carolinahockey.org/page/show/852397-background-screening-program>

Compliance list is there in alphabetical order . The background check is currently good for two years

Step 1: Enter Self Registration Number: 57694635

Step 2: Enter Your Information as Requested

Step 3: Provide Legal Authorization and Certification

CAHA Helmet Policy

All Registered Member Associations shall enforce the following discipline policy for coaches who fail to wear a helmet. In accordance with USA Hockey policy, all ice hockey coaches and instructors of registered USA Hockey Youth 18 &

Under and below, High School, Girls'/Women's 19 & Under and below, and disabled programs must properly wear an approved ice hockey helmet during all on-ice sessions, including practices, controlled scrimmages and all Coaching Education Program clinics and/or workshops. Failure to comply will result in a 30-day suspension from all activities involving USA Hockey registered programs. Proper wear shall include a secured and fastened chin strap. Member Associations may impose additional suspensions or fines above and beyond this minimum requirement. **There are no exceptions or appeals to this rule.**