

# Coach Accreditation Policy

**Effective: July 1, 2017**

The new coach accreditation policy being implemented this will allow Skate Canada Professional Coaches to experience the competitive field prior to achieving a full National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP) certification. Based on the relevant NCCP coach training and certification pathway, coaches with the proper credentials may be provided with the opportunity to coach their athletes at Skate Canada qualifying events.

## Summary of changes:

- To motivate coaches to reach higher NCCP status earlier in their career, the NCCP level required for accreditation at a particular event will now be tied to the skating category as outlined in the accreditation matrix below.
- Build the competition experience as part of a coach's development while achieving a full NCCP certification.

**Purpose:** Skate Canada and its Section Partners are committed to creating a safe competitive environment for athletes to reach optimal performance at the following qualifying events:

- Event 1: Sectionals and Regional Synchronized Skating
- Event 2: Skate Canada Challenge
- Event 3: National Skating Championships
- Event 4: Skate Canada Synchronized Skating Championships

Skate Canada Manitoba will be extending these requirements to ALL competitions held in the province.

This policy governs the necessary requirements to obtain coach accreditation privileges at qualifying competitions hosted by Skate Canada and its Section Partners.

## ACCREDITATION MATRIX

As per the NCCP pathways, coaches may obtain accreditation privileges provided the qualifications in the accreditation matrix below are valid at time of competition entry and on-site during the event. The Skate Canada qualifying events are categorized below as events 1-4.

Categories	EVENT #				COACH MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING			
	1	2	3	4	Registered	First Aid	Screening	NCCP Certification
Pre-Juvenile	✓	N/A	N/A	N/A	✓	✓	✓	Regional Coach
Juvenile	✓	N/A	N/A	N/A	✓	✓	✓	Regional Coach
Pre-Novice	✓	✓	N/A	N/A	✓	✓	✓	Provincial Coach
Novice	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	National Coach
Junior	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	National Coach
Senior	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	National Coach
Intermediate	✓	N/A	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	Provincial Coach
Open	✓	N/A	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	Provincial Coach

### Additional Considerations:

- Coaches who are in the process of achieving a [NCCP certification](#) may be considered for accreditation provided the necessary in-training or trained status as stipulated in the relevant NCCP coach pathway is achieved. Special Permission must be requested from the Technical Director Prior to the registration deadline of the competition.
- Non-resident coaches who do not coach in a Skate Canada club or skating school may be considered for accreditation provided that a valid screening is provided at time of competition entry and on-site at events.

## PROCEDURE

Competition Check-in Procedure for Registered Professional Coaches in Good Standing (RPCGS)

-RPCGS registered to attend competitions will be checked for NCCP Certification & In Good Standing with Skate Canada by the Section Technical Director.

- A sign in sheet will be created for each day of the event and the appropriate colored wristband will be sent along with an information sheet on the coach accreditation procedure to the LOC.

- Only 1 wristband will be provided per RPCSG per event and it must be worn on their person not on their bag, photo id is required upon first sign in.

- The section will provide a color-coded flip chart for each competition to be managed at the event by the Tech Rep/Chief Referee. This flip chart will be visible at ice level for event officials, organizing committee and ice captains to easily monitor

-Special Permission requested will only be facilitated prior to the competition registration deadline. Requested are to be made to the Technical Director [skate.td@sportmanitoba.ca](mailto:skate.td@sportmanitoba.ca) The coach receiving special permission must bring photo id and their signed letter from the Technical Director to the competition check in.

**NOTE:** Please note that special permission will be approved on a per coach basis and is only be valid for one competition

-Last minute coaching changes will only be accommodated for RPCGS and can be made through the Technical Director.