### Field Hockey Canada - Policies and Procedural Standards

POLICY NAME: NCCP Standards for Coaches at National Championships

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#### POLICY STATEMENT

Field Hockey Canada (FHC) strongly believes that better coaches make better athletes, and equally believes that the National Coaching Certification Process (NCCP) is the best way to make better coaches. In order to help ensure that coaches of our domestic events would be the best possible for National-level athletes, FHC has implemented minimum certification requirements. These requirements are accepted and managed in cooperation with the FHC and the Coaching Association of Canada.

### PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy is meant to contribute to stronger coaching for athletes attending National Championships. It applies to the coaches of all teams attending national championship events.

### PROCEDURE

When making a comparison of the current coaching standards and guidelines to the new NCCP, the following standards were concluded:

AGE LEVEL COMPETITION	OLD NCCP	NEW NCCP
Senior		
Head Coach	Level 3	Comp-HP (certified)
Assistant Coach	Level 2 with work on Level 3	Comp-Dev (certified) and Comp-HP (trained)
Under 21		
Head Coach	Level 3	Comp-Dev (certified) and Comp-HP (trained)
Assistant Coach	Level 2 with work on Level 3	Comp-Dev (certified)
Under 18		
Head Coach	Level 2	Comp-Dev (certified)
Assistant Coach	Level 1	Comp-Intro (certified) and Comp-Dev (trained)
Under 16		
Head Coach	Level 2	Comp-Dev (certified)
Assistant Coach	Level 1	Comp-Intro (certified)
Under 14		
Head Coach	Level 1	Comp-Intro (certified)
Assistant Coach	Level 1	Comp-Intro (trained)
Under 12		
All Coaches	No Policy	Comp-Intro (trained)
Under 10		

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## **Exemption Process**

Teams not meeting these rules must request an exemption from the FHC National Office not later than 6 weeks prior to the event. Coaches not certified and/or meeting the above exemption timelines will be levied \$200 payable to FHC. Coaches granted an exemption will be required to complete their certification within 12 months of the exemption.