

NCCP

The Old NCCP Courses

Basketball Alberta will no longer be offering what was commonly known as NCCP Theory, Technical and Practical Levels 1, 2 and 3. These courses were designed to be taken in a progressive manner. The new NCCP courses have been designed and are run through Basketball Canada and the NCCP association. Each stream in the New NCCP is age specific and there is no progression of courses required.

The New NCCP Courses Overview:

http://coach.ca/eng/certification/nccp_for_coaches/Model_en.htm

Stream 1: Community Sport

Coaches in the Community Sport stream typically become involved on a voluntary and often short-term basis because their children participate in a sport. They tend to work with participants of all ages who are new to the sport. This stream focuses on the introduction of basketball to athletes who are participating for the first time. Goals of athletes in this stream include meeting new friends, having fun, learning a new activity and recreation. Coaches learn to implement a fun and safe environment for participants. This stream is not designed for coaches who will be working with athletes involved in competition. This is approximately a 9 hour course.

Stream 2: Introduction to Competition

Coaches in the Competition stream usually have previous coaching experience or are former athletes in the sport. They tend to work with athletes over the long term to improve performance, often in preparation for provincial, national, and international competitions. This course targets athletes between the ages of 10-16. Three main components of this stream are Ethical Decisions, Practice Planning and Modified Games which will allow coaches to develop a style of coaching which directly fits with the Long Term Athlete Development (LTAD) philosophy. This stream replaces the old NCCP Level 1 Theory and Technical and is 14-16 hours in length.

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- Once a coach starts the program at this level a coach is said to be “in training”.
- When a coach completes the training modules, they are said to be “trained”.
- At this point the coach MUST complete a year of coaching using the new training and skills prior to being accepted for and evaluation
- A coach may request to have an evaluator determine their competency. A coach must submit their portfolio prior to the evaluator actually attending a coach’s practice.
- Upon successful competency demonstration a coach is said to be “Certified” for 5 years. Professional development throughout these 5 years is required.

Program will be offered in fall (2009): Time & Dates TBA

Stream 3: Instruction

Coaches in the Instruction stream must have sport-specific skills and training, whether coaching at the beginner or advanced skill levels. Many are former participants in the sport. Currently this stream is in its 'pilot' stage of development and is currently not available.