

# Coach Education Criteria Grid



This grid is an internal tool to assess individuals with ample sport experience and/or knowledge seeking level 1 Coach certification through the online Coaching Special Olympics Athletes training course.

Sport	Years of Playing Experience	Years of Coaching Experience	Secondary Level Officiating/ Judging Experience	Years of Experience	Certification / License	Date(s) of Certification	National Governing Body	Certification and/or National Governing Body Website
Aquatics	4 High School or 1 Collegiate	2+ Secondary Level	2 or more seasons	3	Foundations of Coaching 101	Proof of continuing Ed. current within 3-5 years	USA Swimming	<a href="http://www.usaswimming.org">www.usaswimming.org</a> <a href="http://www.fina.org">www.fina.org</a>
Athletics	4 High School or 1 Collegiate	2+ Secondary Level	2 or more seasons	3	Level 1 Program through USATF	Proof of continuing Ed. current within 3-5 years	USA Track & Field	<a href="http://www.usatf.org">www.usatf.org</a> <a href="http://www.iaaf.org">www.iaaf.org</a>
Basketball	4 High School or 1 Collegiate	2+ Secondary Level	2 or more seasons	3	USA Youth Development Coaching License	Proof of continuing Ed. current within 3-5 years	USA Basketball	<a href="http://www.usab.com">www.usab.com</a> <a href="http://www.fiba.com">www.fiba.com</a>
Bowling	2+ Competitive Club/Recreational	2+ Secondary Level	2 or more seasons	3	USBC Level 1	Proof of continuing Ed. current within 3-5 years	United States Bowling Congress	<a href="http://www.bowl.com/coaching">www.bowl.com/coaching</a> <a href="http://www.worldtenpinbowling.com">www.worldtenpinbowling.com</a>
Cycling	2+ Competitive	2+ Secondary Level	N/A	3	Level 3 Coaching License	Proof of continuing Ed. current within 3-5 years	USA Cycling	<a href="http://www.usacycling.org">www.usacycling.org</a> <a href="http://www.uci.ch">www.uci.ch</a>
Equestrian	2+ Recreation/ Competitive	2+ Secondary Level or Therapeutic Riding Instructor	2 or more seasons	3	TRI - Therapeutic Riding Instructor	Proof of continuing Ed. current within 3-5 years	Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International	<a href="http://www.pathintl.org">www.pathintl.org</a> <a href="http://www.feii.org">www.feii.org</a>
Flag Football	2+ Competitive Club/Recreational	2+ Secondary Level or USA Flag Certification Level 1	2 or more seasons	3	USA Flag Certification Level 1	Proof of continuing Ed. current within 3-5 years	National Football League Flag	<a href="http://www.nflflag.com/pages/coaches">www.nflflag.com/pages/coaches</a>
Figure Skating	Recreational	2+ Secondary Level or Basic Skills Instructor	2 or more seasons	3	US Figure Skating - Basic Skills Instructor	Proof of continuing Ed. current within 3-5 years	United States Figure Skating Association (USFSA)	<a href="http://www.usfsa.org">www.usfsa.org</a> <a href="http://www.isu.org">www.isu.org</a>
Golf	4 High School or 1 Collegiate	2+ Secondary Level or Proof of USGA Handicap Card	2 or more tournaments	3	Proof of USGA Handicap Card / Accredited Club Membership	N/A	United States Golf Association	<a href="http://www.usga.org">www.usga.org</a> <a href="http://www.randa.org">www.randa.org</a>

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Gymnastics	3+ Competitive Dancing	2+ Secondary Level (dance or gymnastics)	2 or more seasons		USA Gymnastics Instructor Certification	Proof of continuing Ed. current within 3-5 years	USA Gymnastics	<a href="http://www.usagym.org">www.usagym.org</a> <a href="http://www.fig-gymnastics.com">www.fig-gymnastics.com</a>
Kayaking	2+ Competitive Club/Recreational	2+ Secondary Level	N/A	1	N/A	N/A	International Canoe Federation	<a href="http://www.canoeicf.com">www.canoeicf.com</a>
Powerlifting	4 High School or 1 Collegiate	2+ Secondary Level or USAPL-CC Certification	2 or more seasons	3	Club Coach USAPL-CC Certification	Proof of continuing Ed. current within 3-5 years	USA Powerlifting	<a href="http://www.coaching.usapowerlifting.com">www.coaching.usapowerlifting.com</a> <a href="http://www.powerlifting-ipf.com">www.powerlifting-ipf.com</a>
Roller Skating	Recreational	2+ Secondary Level	2 or more seasons	1	N/A	N/A	Federation Internationale Roller Sports	<a href="http://www.rollersports.org">www.rollersports.org</a>
Sailing	2+ Competitive Club/Recreational	2+ Secondary Level or Smallboat Level 1 Instructor	2 or more competitions	3	Smallboat Level 1 Instructor & Adaptive Instructor through US Sailing	Proof of continuing Ed. current within 3-5 years	United States Sailing	<a href="http://www.ussailing.org">www.ussailing.org</a> <a href="http://www.sailing.org">www.sailing.org</a>
Softball	4 High School or 1 Collegiate	2+ Secondary Level or ACE Level 1 Coach Certification	2 or more seasons	3	ACE Level 1 Coach Certification through USA Softball	Proof of continuing Ed. current within 3-5 years	ASA/USA Softball	<a href="http://www.teamusa.org">www.teamusa.org</a> <a href="http://www.internationalsoftball.com">www.internationalsoftball.com</a>
Soccer	4 High School or 1 Collegiate	2+ Secondary Level or National E License or higher	2 or more seasons	3	National E License or higher	Proof of continuing Ed. current within 3-5 years	US Soccer	<a href="http://www.ussoccer.com">www.ussoccer.com</a> <a href="http://www.fifa.com">www.fifa.com</a>
Tennis	4 High School or 1 Collegiate	2+ Secondary Level or USPTA certified	2 or more seasons	3	USPTA Recreational or School Coach certified	Proof of continuing Ed. current within 3-5 years	United States Professional Tennis Association	<a href="http://www.uspta.com">www.uspta.com</a> <a href="http://www.itftennis.com">www.itftennis.com</a>
Triathlon	2+ Competitive Club/Recreational	N/A	N/A	3	N/A	N/A	USA Triathlon	<a href="http://www.teamusa.org/USA-Triathlon">www.teamusa.org/USA-Triathlon</a>
Table Tennis	2+ Competitive Club/Recreational	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A	International Table Tennis Federation	<a href="http://www.ittf.com">www.ittf.com</a>
Volleyball	4 High School or 1 Collegiate	2+ Secondary Level or USA Volleyball Impact Certified	2 or more seasons	3	USA Volleyball Indoor Impact certified	Proof of continuing Ed. current within 3-5 years	USA Volleyball	<a href="http://www.teamusa.org">www.teamusa.org</a> <a href="http://www.fivb.com">www.fivb.com</a>

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