High Performance Coach Development Program

The Coach Development program is in collaboration with the Education and Youth Development Manager (EDM), Paul Cseke.

Program Objectives

- Bridging the gap between novice (club) coaches and high-performance (competition) coaches by creating **mentorship opportunities, training workshops, and resources** that enhance coaching skills and knowledge.
- Continued professional development (PD) through regular education opportunities, helping coaches earn PD points and maintain certifications.
- Increasing women and gender-diverse coach participation by providing tailored support and mentorship, while fostering an inclusive, performance-driven environment.
- Assist in pairing coaches with athletes to strengthen their relationships and promote athlete development at the highest levels.

Program Fee:

- \$50 Membership Fee
 - Potential Additional Fee to Attend Training Camps & Seminars (TBD communicated prior to by HP Coordinators).
- \$10 Fee per Webinar & Community Building Session for Non-Members.

Application Requirements

- Trained in:
 - NCCP Make Ethical Decisions
 - CCES Safe Sport
- Competition Coach in Training (with intention to complete the certification process by March 2026).

Target Audience

The High performance Coach Development Program is intended to capture coaches of all experience levels from novice to elite. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Curl BC BC Games Zone Coaches
- Curl BC Mentor Coaches
- Team Coaches
- Club Youth Program Organizers & Coaches
- New Coaches
- Athletes looking to transition into Coaching
- Parent Coaches

Program Benefits & Opportunities

- Participation in Coach Development Camps (3-4) throughout the 2025-26 season.
 - o "Member Rate" for the Rockslide Coaches Camp (July 7-10, 2025)
 - o In-season camp dates to be determined.
 - Registration required (limited capacity for each camp).
 - o Priority given based on proximity to the camp location.
 - Camps will be offered at various locations across the province to ensure broader access.
- Participation in monthly Community Building & Development sessions and Curl BC webinars.
- Training in U-15 RockFest, Hit Draw Tap, and Singles App protocols.
- Access to a Coaching Mentor through Curl BC to enhance personal coaching skills, leadership, and athlete development.
- Foster a community of practice for coaching career advancement through increased knowledge, skills, and network.

Program Deliverables - See Appendix A	
Long-Term Coach Development - See Appendix B	

Appendix A

Program Deliverables

Objective	Action Plan	Integration of EDM				
Novice to High Performance Coach Pathway						
	 Support in identifying and informing potential coaches about the Coach Development program. Lead monthly educational seminars to review and discuss current Curling Canada standards. Provide access to CurlBC HP resources. 	 Assist in identifying and recruiting prospective high performance coaches. Point of contact for linking identified coaches to the HP team. Promotion and outreach for the HP Coach Development Program. 				
Professional Development Opportunities						
	 Access to CurlBC & Curling Canada webinars to earn PD points. Facilitate coaches camps (3–4). 	 Record and register PD points in the NCCP Locker. 				
Women in	Women in Coaching					
	 Provide coaching opportunities for graduating student-athletes within the varsity system. Use knowledge and experience gained during the WAGE project to support women in coaching. 	 Apply for women and gender diverse related grants. 				
Coach-Athlete Pairing						
	 Maintain a detailed record of registered coaches. Create and maintain a list of new and current HP athletes who are seeking a skilled and knowledgeable coach. 	 Maintain a detailed record of registered coaches. Create and maintain a list of emerging competitive athletes seeking a skilled and knowledgeable coach. 				

Appendix B

Long-Term Coach Development

Stage of Development					
Stage	Novice	Intermediate	Advanced	Elite	
Coaching Experience	Little to no coaching experience Club Level, U15, Developing U18	Some experience, Competent coaching at a Recreational level Elite U18, Developing U21	Moderate experience, Competent coaching at a Provincial level Elite U21, University/College, Developing Men & Women	Extensive experience Competent coaching at a National level Elite Men & Women	
Technical Skills	Learning basic technical skills.	Understands technical skills, able to identify and correct major flaws	Strong technical understanding, able to identify and correct minor flaws.	Advanced technical understanding, Able to fine-tune minor details.	
Periodization & Planning	Unfamiliar with periodization, requires assistance planning effective practices.	Learning periodization, can plan reasonable practices. Limited knowledge of Curling Tour.	Competent understanding of periodization, practice planning, the Curling Tour Ranking System.	Mastery of periodization, practice planning, and Curling Tour Ranking System.	
Strategy & Tactics	Knows basic strategy and tactics. Requires guidance time outs and debriefs.	Good understanding of basic tactics, able to ask relevant questions in discussions. Learning how to conduct time outs and debriefs.	Good tactical knowledge, able to explain shot selection, and confidently conduct time outs and debriefs.	Advanced tactical expertise, effectively leads time outs and debriefs.	
Team Systems	Learning team systems.	Basic understanding, relies on external resources for feedback.	Solid understanding, able to provide effective feedback with some external support.	Advanced understanding, providing detailed feedback across all areas of the game.	