



## **National Coaching Certification Program**

### **Competition Coach Specialist - Western**

#### **Candidate Application**



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## Competition Coach Specialist - Western

### Outcomes and Criteria Summary

**All Equine Canada NCCP certified Competition Coach Specialist – Western coaches will be able to:**

1. Plan lessons/schooling sessions and create an Emergency Action Plan
2. Support the Athlete in Training (Coach/Teach lessons/conduct schooling/training sessions)
3. Analyze performance of horses and riders
4. Make Ethical Decisions (Online evaluation)

*NOTE - Outcomes #1 and #2 – Riders are in Competition context ie: They are preparing to go to a show. Competition Coach Specialists must achieve the **advanced** standard in outcomes #1, #2 and #3.*

**All Equine Canada NCCP certified Competition Coach Specialist – Western coaches will also be able to:**

5. Design an Equestrian Sports Program
6. Manage an Equestrian Sports Program
7. Support the Competitive Experience

*NOTE - Competition Coach Specialists must achieve the standard in outcomes #4, #5 and #6.*

#### **Outcome #1 – Plan Lessons/Schooling sessions and create an EAP (One only for home venue)**

##### **Task**

Plan two lessons/schooling sessions:

1. Discipline Specific lesson
2. Discipline Specific lesson

The plan must include:

1. Logistics
2. Appropriate exercises
3. Emergency Action Plan (EAP)

*NOTE - Templates are available for Lesson Plans and EAP*

#### **Outcome #2 - Provide Support to Riders/Horses in Training**

##### **Task**

Coach Student(s) in Discipline Specific Lessons to improve the rider and horse.

##### **Reining:**

Lesson 1 - Coach one student on a topic of *candidate's choice* from discipline list.

Lesson 2 - Coach one student to ride an NRHA Reining pattern.

Lesson 3 - Coach one student on a topic of *evaluators' choice* from above NRHA pattern.

##### **Speed Events:** Barrel Racing & Pole Bending

Lesson 1 - Coach one student on a topic of *candidate's choice* from discipline list for either Barrel

Racing or Pole Bending.

Lesson 2 - Coach one student to ride a pattern appropriate for Lesson 1.

Lesson 3 - Coach one student on a topic of *evaluators' choice* from discipline list for the discipline *not* chosen by candidate.

General Performance: Three students - Western Pleasure, one student - Showmanship, Horsemanship, Trail, Western Riding (optional).

Lesson 1 - Coach student(s) to ride rail work or a pattern of *candidate's choice* for one of the above disciplines.

Lesson 2 - Coach student(s) to ride rail work or a pattern of *candidate's choice* for a different discipline than Lesson 1.

Lesson 3 - Coach student(s) on a topic of *evaluators' choice* from the discipline list, for a discipline *not* chosen by candidate in Lessons 1 or 2.

Lesson 4 - Coach student(s) on a topic of *evaluators' choice* from the discipline list, for a discipline *not* chosen by candidate in Lessons 1, 2 or 3 (candidate will coach a different discipline in each lesson).

The Candidate must:

1. Ensure that the lesson/schooling environment is safe
2. Implement an appropriately structured and organized lesson
3. Make interventions that promote learning

### **Outcome #3 - Analyze performance (Evaluated during the lessons)**

The coach must:

1. Detect errors in riders and horses
2. Correct errors in riders and horses

### **Outcome #5 - Design a Sports Program**

#### **Task**

Submit a Yearly Training Plan (YTP)

The coach must:

1. Outline program structure based on available training and competition opportunities
  - a. Identify program measures to promote rider/horse development
  - b. Develop practice plans that integrate seasonal training priorities

*NOTE - Details on the YTP are available*

### **Outcome #6 - Manage a Sports Program**

#### **Task**

Submit a Portfolio

The coach must:

1. Manage administrative aspects of program and oversees logistics

2. Report on athlete progress throughout program

*NOTE - Details regarding the portfolio are available*

## **Outcome #7 - Support the Competitive Experience**

### **Task**

The coach is evaluated during a competition

The coach must:

1. Prepare student for readiness in competition
2. Make effective interventions during and after the competition

**Equine Canada/NCCP  
Competition Coach Specialist - Western  
Evaluation Application Form**



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ EC #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ OEF# \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: (h) \_\_\_\_\_ (b) \_\_\_\_\_

(fax) \_\_\_\_\_ (e-mail) \_\_\_\_\_

Discipline: \_\_\_\_\_

**I HAVE SUBMITTED THE FOLLOWING:**

- |   |                              |                             |
|---|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> TWO LESSON PLANS     | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO |
| <input type="checkbox"/> YEARLY TRAINING PLAN | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PORTFOLIO            | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO |

**PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY:**

*I do hereby release the facility at which this evaluation is being conducted, the evaluator(s) and the PSO/EC from any liability for any injuries or damage to myself, or property caused during the above-mentioned evaluation.*

Applicants Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please include a traditional résumé and copies of the following with your application:

- 1) Current First Aid Certificate
- 2) Proof of Competition, Training & Coaching (See page 2)
- 3) Copy of current EC Gold (at minimum) Sport License
- 4) Signed copy of Code of Ethics & Coaching Code of Conduct
- 5) Signed Acceptance of Risk Form
- 6) Completed Evaluation Application form

## Proof of Competition, Training & Coaching

**Please do not include original documents. This application will NOT be returned to you**

<b>REINING</b>	<b>REQUIREMENTS</b>	<b>SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION</b>
<b>COMPETITIVE EXPERIENCE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> The Candidate must have achieved a minimum score of 68, under at least 2 different NRHA, CRC or Breed judges, on 3 or more runs.</li> <li style="text-align: center;"><b>OR</b></li> <li>The Candidate's student(s) must have achieved a minimum score of 65, under at least 2 different NRHA, CRC or Breed judges, on 3 or more runs.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> If the Candidate student's(s') competitive experience is used, the student(s) must submit a signed letter indicating the Candidate was their coach at the time they achieved the scores.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Show records verifying either of these sets of scores will need to be submitted.</li> </ul>	<p>Any documentation providing evidence such as: Name/date of shows, names of judges, copy of judge's sheet. If not available OR (if your competitive experience took place more than ten years ago) two letter(s) of reference from sponsor/coach/show official supporting your competitive experience.</p>
<b>TRAINING EXPERIENCE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> The Candidate must have trained a horse that they have competed on, and achieved a minimum score of 68, under at least 2 different NRHA, CRC or Breed judges, on 3 or more runs.</li> <li style="text-align: center;"><b>OR</b></li> <li>The Candidate must have trained a horse that their student(s) has competed on, and achieved a minimum score of 65, under at least 2 different NRHA, CRC or Breed judges, on 3 or more runs.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Show records verifying either of these sets of scores will need to be submitted</li> </ul>	<p>Any documentation providing evidence such as: Name/date of shows, names of judges, copy of judge's sheet. Please provide a letter(s) from a sponsor, owner/rider of horses trained to supporting your training experience.</p>
<b>COACHING EXPERIENCE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> The Candidate must have at least 2 years coaching experience at NRHA, CRC or Breed Shows with a student(s) who has achieved minimum scores of 65, under at least 2 different judges, on 3 or more runs.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Show records verifying these scores will need to be submitted</li> </ul>	<p>Any documentation providing evidence such as: Name/date of shows, names of judges, copy of judge's sheet. Plus name/date of events, a letter(s) from the identified students (or sponsor or parent in the case of a minor), supporting your coaching experience at the identified competitions.</p>

SPEED EVENTS	REQUIREMENTS	SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
<b>COMPETITIVE EXPERIENCE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> The Candidate must have achieved in:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) <u>Barrel Racing</u> – a top ten placing in 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> division at Provincial, National Speed Event Shows, or a top 4 placing at Rodeos or Breed Shows, on 3 or more runs.</li> <li>2) <u>Pole Bending</u> – a time of 24 seconds or under at Provincial, National Speed Event Shows, Breed Shows or Rodeos, on 3 or more runs.</li> </ol> <p><b>OR</b></p>               The Candidate's student(s) must have achieved in:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) <u>Barrel Racing</u> – a top ten placing in any division at Provincial, National Speed Event Shows, or a top 6 placing at Rodeos or Breed Shows, on 3 or more runs.</li> <li>2) <u>Pole Bending</u> – a time of 26 seconds or under at Provincial, National Speed Event Shows, Breed Shows or Rodeos, on 3 or more runs.</li> </ol> </li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> If the Candidate's student's(s) competitive experience is used, the student(s) must submit a signed letter indicating the Candidate was their coach at the time they achieved the placings or times.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Show records, verifying either of the sets of placings or times, will need to be submitted.</li> </ul>	<p>Any documentation providing evidence such as:            Name/date of shows, names of judges, copy of judge's sheet. If not available OR (if your competitive experience took place more than ten years ago) two letter(s) of reference from sponsor/coach/show official supporting your competitive experience.</p>
<b>TRAINING EXPERIENCE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> The Candidate must have trained a horse that has achieved the requirements for the candidate's Competitive Experience.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Show records, verifying either of the sets of placings or times, will need to be submitted.</li> </ul>	<p>Any documentation providing evidence such as:            Name/date of shows, names of judges, copy of judge's sheet. Please provide a letter(s) from a sponsor, owner/rider of horses trained to supporting your training experience.</p>
<b>COACHING EXPERIENCE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> The Candidate must have at least 2 years' coaching experience at Provincial, National Speed Event Shows, Breed Shows or Rodeos and have a student(s) who has achieved the requirements for the candidate's student's Competitive Experience.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Show records, verifying placings or times, will need to be submitted.</li> </ul>	<p>Any documentation providing evidence such as:            Name/date of shows, names of judges, copy of judge's sheet. Plus name/date of events, a letter(s) from the identified students (or sponsor or parent in the case of a minor), supporting your coaching experience at the identified competitions.</p>



GENERAL PERFORMANCE	REQUIREMENTS	SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
<b>COMPETITIVE EXPERIENCE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> The Candidate must have achieved a top 4 placing, in a class of 6 competitors, under at least 2 different judges, at a minimum of 3 Breed or Provincial Shows. These results must be repeated in at least 3 different discipline classes, from the list as follows: Western Pleasure, Showmanship, Horsemanship, Trail, Western Riding <b>OR</b></li> <li>The Candidate student(s) must have achieved a top 5 placing, in a class of 6 competitors, under at least 2 different judges, at a minimum of 3 Breed or Provincial Shows. These results must be repeated in at least 3 different discipline classes, from the list above.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> If the Candidate's student's(s') competitive experience is used, the student(s) must submit a signed letter indicating the Candidate was their coach at the time they achieved the placings.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Show records, verifying either of the sets placings, will need to be submitted.</li> </ul>	Any documentation providing evidence such as: Name/date of shows, names of judges, copy of judge's sheet. If not available OR (if your competitive experience took place more than ten years ago) two letter(s) of reference from sponsor/coach/show official supporting your competitive experience.
<b>TRAINING EXPERIENCE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> The Candidate must have trained a horse that has achieved the requirements for the candidate's Competitive Experience.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Show records, verifying either of the sets of placings, will need to be submitted.</li> </ul>	Any documentation providing evidence such as: Name/date of shows, names of judges, copy of judge's sheet. Please provide a letter(s) from a sponsor, owner/rider of horses trained to supporting your training experience.
<b>COACHING EXPERIENCE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> The Candidate must have at least 2 years' coaching experience at Breed or Provincial Shows, and have a student(s) who has achieved the requirements for the candidate's student's Competitive Experience.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Show records verifying these placings will need to be submitted.</li> </ul>	Any documentation providing evidence such as: Name/date of shows, names of judges, copy of judge's sheet. Plus name/date of events, a letter(s) from the identified students (or sponsor or parent in the case of a minor), supporting your coaching experience at the identified competitions.

**REINING****COMPETITIVE EXPERIENCE**

Rider	Horse	Name of Competition	Date (d/m/y)	Division	Place	Score

**TRAINING EXPERIENCE**

Rider	Horse	Name of Competition	Date (d/m/y)	Division	Place	Score

**COACHING EXPERIENCE**

Rider	Horse	Name of Competition	Date (d/m/y)	Division	Place	Score

**SPEED EVENTS****COMPETITIVE EXPERIENCE**

Rider	Horse	Name of Competition	Date (d/m/y)	Division	Place	Score

**TRAINING EXPERIENCE**

Rider	Horse	Name of Competition	Date (d/m/y)	Division	Place	Score

**COACHING EXPERIENCE**

Rider	Horse	Name of Competition	Date (d/m/y)	Division	Place	Score

**GENERAL PERFORMANCE****COMPETITIVE EXPERIENCE**

Rider	Horse	Name of Competition	Date (d/m/y)	Division	Place	Score

**TRAINING EXPERIENCE**

Rider	Horse	Name of Competition	Date (d/m/y)	Division	Place	Score

**COACHING EXPERIENCE**

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