



## NCCP CI COACHING COURSE CHALLENGING POLICY

### Background

BC Artistic Swimming allows coaches with exceptional experience to challenge the NCCP Competition Introduction coaching course. The opportunity to challenge is designed for candidates who have an understanding of the sport and coaching. A candidate who challenges the Competition Introduction course is doing so because they are confident in their knowledge of the materials that will be covered in the course.

### Eligibility

Individuals wishing to challenge the NCCP Competition Introduction Course must meet the following criteria:

- a) Current member of BC Artistic Swimming
- b) Candidates must be 16 years of age at the time of registration
- c) Candidates must have a synchro background, minimum of 5 years as a certified level 1 judge, artistic swimming athlete or international coach
- d) Comply with training standards outlined in the [BCAS Coach Certification Policy](#)
- e) Provide a letter of support from a direct supervisor (e.g. Head coach, Club President, etc.)

### Fees

At the time of registration, a fee of \$250.00 is payable to BC Artistic Swimming, which includes:

- \$100.00 non-refundable registration fee
- \$50.00 portfolio evaluation fee
- \$50.00 in-practice evaluation fee
- \$50.00 in-competition evaluation fee

### Evaluation Procedures

- a) The candidates must register with BC Artistic Swimming and pay the applicable fees
- b) The candidate must complete the following steps in the order outlined below:
  - Complete Making Ethical Decisions Evaluation (MED) and Making Headway e-learning through the Coaching Association of Canada **within 6 weeks** of the date of registration. Please refer to [www.coach.ca](http://www.coach.ca) for details.
  - Submit Portfolio, MED mark and proof of Making Headway to BC Artistic Swimming **within 6 weeks** of the date of registration. Once received, BC Artistic Swimming will assign an Evaluator
  - Coordinate and complete the in-practice evaluation with the Evaluator
  - Coordinate and complete the in-competition evaluation with the Evaluator

**NOTE:** The order of the deck evaluations can be changed at the discretion of the evaluator.

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Candidates will have **one year** to complete all evaluation components from the time of registration with BC Artistic Swimming.

Candidates must pass each step of the evaluation procedures to move to the next stage of the evaluation. If a candidate fails an evaluation step, they will not be able to continue the process; they will be considered not trained and therefore they will not have deck access at any time. The candidate will be required to register for and complete an NCCP Competition Introduction course to be eligible to coach on deck.

### **Failure to Abide by the Evaluation Timelines**

If the candidate fails to meet the timelines outlined herein, they must re-register and pay an additional \$100.00 registration fee.

A candidate can register to challenge the Competition Introduction course two times. If the deadlines are not met the second time, the candidate will not be eligible to challenge the course and will be required to complete the NCCP Competition Introduction course.

### **Certification Status**

Please note that as per the BCAS [Coach Certification Policy](#), candidates will only be considered certified once the Portfolio, MED, Making Headway and on deck evaluations are completed and passed. Once certified, it is the responsibility of the coach to maintain their certification status as required by the NCCP and to duly renew their BCAS and CAS registration annually.

### **Contact and Questions**

If you have any questions regarding these two programs, please contact the Sport Development Director at [sdd@bcartisticswimming.ca](mailto:sdd@bcartisticswimming.ca).

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