

Coach Developer Assessor training is a two day course for experienced* Coach Developers/Tutors within NGBs delivered by one or more of the Sport Ireland Coaching Trainer team. Pre-requisites for the course are as follows:

- All CD Assessors will be experienced tutors/Coach Developers and hold a Level 2 or above CDPI tutor/CD qualification.
- All CD Assessors will have successfully completed a CD assessors course (run by Sport Ireland Coaching)
- Sport specific CD Assessors will have been nominated by their NGB for the assessor's course.

*minimum of five years active involvement in the NGB as a Coach Developer/Tutor.

The intended learner outcomes for the course and their designated role within the NGB are the same:

1. To effectively assess trainee Coach Developers in accordance with the standards set (Coach Developer [CD] competencies) by Sport Ireland Coaching and (in the sport specific context) by the relevant NGB
2. To effectively facilitate the learning, progress and performance of trainee & qualified Coach Developers in accordance with the standards set (Coach Developer [CD] competencies) by Sport Ireland Coaching and (in the sport specific context) by the relevant NGB

The course details the Coach Developer role and what support mechanisms, provided by the Coach Developer Assessors, will create the optimum environment for the Coach Developers to progress and deliver sustainable, effective Coach Education programmes in both formal and non-formal settings.

Expert levels of observation, interpretation of observed practice and associated feedback (written and verbal) to Coach Developers is progressed and the Assessor Pack is explored in detail, especially the protocol for formal assessments. Day Two involves a moderation event.

The moderation event is led by the Head Trainer of Coach Developers or someone of appropriate experience nominated by Sport Ireland Coaching. If the Head Trainer is not in attendance, two experienced assessors should be present during the moderation event. Their knowledge, skills and experience are used as the primary determinant on decisions of PASS/DEFER during the moderation event. Trainee assessors will assess a minimum of six Coach Developer sessions with the first two being deemed as practice sessions.

For a trainee assessor to PASS the moderation event, ALL observed Coach Developer sessions (subsequent to the two practice sessions) should have the same recorded result as the Head Trainer/two experienced assessors/moderators.

It is recommended that, initially, assessors work in pairs within the same NGB. If a trainee assessor did not successfully pass the moderation event, they will be assigned an experienced assessor from the same or another NGB to work with them when in the role and they can be re-evaluated at a time to suit the trainee assessor. It is expected that this re-evaluation will take place within a two year period although up to five years is permitted if there are legitimate reasons for the delay. If time lapses beyond these time frames, the two day course will need to be attended again.