



# NGB Nomination Form Certificate in Sports Coach Development

## INTRODUCTION

The Certificate in Sports Coach Development involves the development of Sports Coach Developers. Coach Developers play an important role within the Coaching Development Programme for Ireland by educating and supporting coaches in National Governing Bodies (NGBs). The Coach Developer programme provides learners with the skills required to deliver effective coach education courses within a NGB and to identify and deliver relevant support to coaches in non-formal contexts.

The Coach Developer programme is recognised by Quality and Qualifications Ireland (QQI) and is included on the National Framework of Qualifications as a Level 7 Special Purpose Certificate in Sports Coach Development (PG24650). Learners who complete the qualification will receive 45 credits, which they can use to access Further and Higher Education.

The programme is aimed at experienced sports coaches who want to be involved in the development and support of coaches within their sport. Applicants should:

- Hold a NGB coaching qualification CDPI Level 2 or higher (or the highest level NGB coach award) or be a NGB staff member with a specific role in the delivery of coach education
- Be actively coaching for at least five years
- Be nominated by a NGB
  
- Minimum 18 years of age
- IELTS Level 6 or equivalent (for applicants who English isn't their first language)

The programme involves two stages. Stage 1 is delivered directly by Sport Ireland Coaching over 10 contact days (usually five weekends) and covers three modules – Introduction to Coach Development, Coach Developer Practice and Leadership in Coach Development. Stage 2 takes place in the NGB where the trainee Coach Developer applies the knowledge and skills

learned in Stage 1 in a sport-specific setting under the guidance of the NGB and completes a set of required activities such as delivering elements of the NGB's coach education programme and supporting the development of coaches. The trainee Coach Developer must also complete a number of assessments. The Learner Information Pack provides detail on the assessments.

On successful completion of the programme, learners are deployed by their NGB to train and support coaches at a level commensurate with their own coaching experience. They may also be deployed by their NGB to develop and/or review coach education programmes.

### APPLICATION PROCESS

All applicants to the programme **must be nominated by the relevant NGB**. There are two forms that must be completed before learners can be considered for the programme. The first form, the Learner Application Form must be completed by the learner. The form is available from Sport Ireland Coaching. The second form (i.e. this form), called the NGB Nomination Form, must be completed by the NGB to endorse the learner's application. **Both** forms must be completed in full before Sport Ireland Coaching can consider the learner for the programme.

1. Name of NGB Officer Who is Endorsing the Learner \*

2. Name of the NGB \*

3. Position within the NGB \*

4. Name of the Learner who is applying for the Certificate in Sports Coach Development \*

5. I have read the **NGB Initial Information Pack** and **NGB Work Placement Pack** for the Certificate in Sports Coach Development (packs available on Sport Ireland Coaching website) and I understand the responsibilities of the NGB in supporting learners during this programme \*

Yes

6. All applicants for the Certificate in Sports Coach Development must be assigned an NGB mentor (usually a Coach Developer Assessor) PRIOR to the commencement of the programme. Please use the space below to identify the mentor assigned for this learner?

If you do not have a suitable NGB mentor, please state so below. \*

7. The officer/committee responsible for processing this application is asked to comment on the learner here, indicating the level of agreement with the learner's self-assessment identified in the Learner Application Form and their suitability for the programme. \*

8. Date \*

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