

Pre-Evaluation Prerequisites Competition Coach Specialist

The Competition Coach Specialist focuses on athletes who are training to compete. The higher the level of athlete, the more discipline specific the coach. Coaches at this level are certified within a specific English or Western discipline. The certification will allow a coach to continue to reinforce basic skills, horsemanship and safety, but the focus is on athlete progression in the competition ring.

A Competition Coach Specialist should be competent to evaluate the horse and its suitability for a student; oversee stable management and operations; and be experienced in training competition horses. A working knowledge of the Equestrian Canada discipline specific competition rules is required

The Competition Coach Specialist certification is currently available for English disciplines (Dressage, Hunter/Jumper, Eventing) and Western disciplines (Reining, Speed Events, General Performance.)

Prerequisites prior to evaluation	ENGLISH		WESTERN	
	Required	Recommended	Required	Recommended
Minimum Age - 20 Years Old	X		X	
Current First Aid Certificate	X		X	
Equine Canada Sport License - Gold	X		X	
NSEF Membership	X		X	
Making Ethical Decisions (Online)	X		X	
Making Headway In Sport (Online)	X		X	
Coaching Code Of Conduct - Sign	X		X	
Acceptance Of Risk Waiver - Sign	X		X	
Discipline Specific Competition Results:				
Students	X		X	
Self	X		X	
Horse	X		X	
Screening	X		X	
Comp. Coach Specialist Evaluation Prep Clinic		X		X
Independent Coach Mentoring		X		X
NCCP/EC Equestrian Theory Workshop		X		X
NCCP/EC Competition Coach Workshop		X		X
NCCP/EC Competition Coach Analyzing Performance Clinic		X		X
FUNDamentals Training		X		X
Learn To Ride Test Training		X		X

Additional Training

It is strongly advised that the Competition Coach Specialist Candidate complete the additional training recommended for Competition Coach Candidates, as well as:

Competition Coach Specialist Evaluation Preparation Clinic (discipline-specific) –Candidates are recommended to take the appropriate clinic in one of the following discipline areas:

English: Dressage, Hunter/Jumper, Eventing

Western: Reining, Speed Events, General Performance