

2023 EC Temporary Coach Status

In response to Sport Canada's mandate that all national sport organizations create robust coaching certification programs with a focus on athlete safety and inclusivity, the EC Coach Status program was launched in 2021. The EC Coach Status program is a multi-year coaching development pathway that will see all Canadian coaches and instructors who participate in EC-sanctioned events holding Licensed Coach status by the end of 2025.



In 2023, minimum Coach Status requirements will be enforced at all EC-sanctioned events. Recognizing some coaches will not have completed their EC Coach Status requirements when enforcement begins, the EC Board approved Temporary Coach Status (TCS) for the 2023 show season. **Temporary Coach Status (TCS) will come into effect on July 1, 2023.**

- From January 1 through June 30, 2023, Canadian coaches will be permitted to participate in EC-sanctioned events regardless of EC Coach Status.
- The mid-year implementation of TCS provides coaches with a window of time to achieve EC Licensed Coach status between the date of announcement and the date of implementation.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

Why is EC implementing Temporary Coach Status? TCS enables those working toward earning EC coach status to continue coaching athletes at EC-sanctioned events. TCS acknowledges the efforts and dedication of the many coaches who have already earned EC Coach Status; monies collected through TCS will fund educational opportunities for those holding EC Registered and EC Licensed Coach status.

Who is required to pay Temporary Coach Status fees?

TCS applies to Canadian-residents coaching one or more athletes at any EC-sanctioned event and who do not meet minimum EC Coach Status requirements as listed below:

Event Sanctioning	Minimum Coaching Requirement in 2023
EC Bronze and/or Silver	EC Registered Coach Status
EC Silver and/or Gold	EC Licensed Coach Status

How much will Temporary Coach Status cost?

The fee is determined by the event sanctioning level and the individual coach's EC Coach Status. **TCS is valid for one (1) EC-sanctioned event only.** The TCS fee will increase annually until it is retired at the end of 2025.

Event Sanctioning	Temporary Coach Status Fee 2023		
	I do not have a valid EC Coach Status	I am an <i>EC Registered Coach</i>	I am an <i>EC Licensed Coach</i>
EC Bronze and/or Silver	\$100.00 per event	Not applicable	Not applicable
EC Gold and/or Platinum	\$100.00 per event	\$25.00 per event	Not applicable

How is Temporary Coach Status obtained?

Coaches complete a **TCS Form** and submit this to the show office with appropriate payment. The show office will not issue numbers to athletes of any coach with insufficient coaching status until the TCS form and fee has been submitted.

- The TCS Form will be available online; coaches are encouraged to **complete and print the form before arriving at the show office to expedite processing.**
- TCS Forms submitted without payment are incomplete.

The TCS fee may not be added to a trainer split or applied to one or more athletes' show bill without written consent from those included on the split and/or bill(s). This fee is to be incurred by the coach and not the athlete(s).

I am self-coached. Does this apply to me?

If you are over the age of 18, you may declare yourself as **self-coached** on any EC entry form and you will be exempted from the TCS fee. No athlete under 18 is permitted to declare themselves self-coached for safety and liability reasons.

I only coach my child or another member of my immediate family. Am I still required to apply for TCS?

Yes, if you are a Canadian-resident and you are listed as the coach on the entry form for an EC-sanctioned event you must either meet the minimum EC coach status requirement OR obtain Temporary Coach Status. This applies whether you are coaching one athlete or multiple athletes at any given EC-sanctioned event.

I am a coach, but I am not a Canadian citizen. Does this fee apply to me?

Currently, EC Coach Status requirements are only for those whose primary place of residence and coaching practices are within Canadian borders. Those whose primary place of residence is outside of Canada are considered International Coaches and are exempt from EC Coach Status requirements at this time.

Will TCS be available for a limited time?

TCS will be available at all EC-sanctioned events until January 31, 2025; after this date, only those holding EC Licensed Coach status will be permitted to coach at EC-sanctioned events.