



# COACHING PROGRAM

## NCCP INSTRUCTOR ADMISSIONS

### OVERVIEW

The certified Instructor provides equestrians with an introduction to driving and/or riding in a fun and safe environment. Instructors cater to the beginner equestrian, rather than the competitive equestrian, they do not take students to Equestrian Canada (EC) sanctioned competitions. The Instructor focuses on the following needs of their student: learning basic skills, developing confidence and self-esteem, and promote the enjoyment of equestrian sport. The Instructor teaches the skills aligned with the Long-Term Equestrian Development stages: Fundamentals and Learn to Ride.

The Instructor stresses safety, welfare of the horse, horsemanship, a positive attitude and the development of teaching skills. Candidates will bring their own teaching experiences to the program, and will exhibit patience while working with both horses and people. As safety is of the utmost importance, safe practices should be stressed, and taught by example including dress, harness, stable management, vehicles and road safety.

The following NCCP Instructor certifications are offered by EC:

- English Instructor
- Driving Instructor
- Western Instructor
- Saddle Seat Instructor

### GET STARTED!

Contact your Provincial or Territorial Sport Organization (PTSO) to get started!

<https://equestrian.ca/about/governance/provincial-territorial-partners>

### ADMISSIONS

#### BASIC PREREQUISITES

\_\_\_\_\_ Hold an EC Bronze Sport License in good standing.

\_\_\_\_\_ Hold a PTSO Membership in good standing.

\_\_\_\_\_ Complete the Coaching Association of Canada's Make Ethical Decisions Online Evaluation

\_\_\_\_\_ Complete the Coaching Association of Canada's Making Head Way in Sport module.

\_\_\_\_\_ Complete a First Aid course, such as St. John Ambulance, Red Cross or an equivalent course approved by Equestrian Canada (minimum 8 hours).

\_\_\_\_\_ Submit signed copies of the EC Code of Ethics and Coaching Code of Conduct.

\_\_\_\_\_ Provide proof of an acceptable Criminal Record check current within 5 years, as required by EC standards. (Regional PTSO and municipal requirements may also apply.) The PTSO will keep copies of the criminal record check. If a PTSO receives a questionable criminal record search for an instructor, coach or program candidate a copy of this documentation should be forwarded to the attention of the EC Chief Executive Officer and EC President. A response would result in a letter from EC to the instructor, coach or program candidate in question with a copy sent to the PTSO.



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## CERTIFICATION SPECIFIC PREREQUISITES

\_\_\_\_\_ Be at least 16 years of age as of January 1st of the current year.

\_\_\_\_\_ English Instructor

\_\_\_\_\_ Learn to Ride – English, Level 6 Certification

\_\_\_\_\_ Driving Instructor

\_\_\_\_\_ Learn to Drive Certification

\_\_\_\_\_ Western Instructor

\_\_\_\_\_ Learn to Ride – Western, Level 4 Certification