

# 2016 BC Summer Game – Abbotsford, BC



## Coaching Package and Application Form - Softball

*Bringing together young developing athletes from every region of the province, competition is the backbone of the Games but at its heart are the spirit of competition, friendship, teamwork, and the setting of goals for individual and community excellence.*

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# The Role of the BC Games Coaching Staff

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The BC Summer Games requires three roles for coaching staff:

- ❖ Head Coach
- ❖ Assistant Coach
- ❖ Adult Supervisors

## **Role of the Head Coach**

The BC Games Society outlines the role of the head coach as:

- ❖ Head Coaches are seen as the leaders of the zone team (or sport team for sports for athletes with a disability).
- ❖ Prior to the Games, Head Coaches will be sent information as outlined in the Head Coach Communication Plan document.
- ❖ Head Coaches are encouraged to share information with the other members of their zone coaching staff, their athletes, and the parents/family of the athletes, as appropriate and to help them prepare for the Games.
- ❖ Head Coaches are the main contact for us for the BC Games once registration is complete and in particular at the Games.
- ❖ Each sport may have added expectations/responsibilities of their Head Coaches. Head Coaches should discuss their role with the Provincial Advisor and be in touch with him/her throughout the process.

## **Assistant Coaches and Adult Supervisors**

When you review the technical package for Softball, adult supervisors are not mentioned. All sports are assigned one Head Coach and a designated number of Assistant Coaches. If the Assistant Coaches do not have any NCCP training, they are registered as Adult Supervisors. Adult Supervisors are considered to be all other adults with the zone team, who are not the Head Coach or Assistant Coaches and include those fulfilling the role of the team manager, trainer, or guide).

It is important to distinguish between the assistant coach and adult supervisor at time of registration so that information provided to sport agencies is clear on who is a coach (or on a coach training path) versus someone who is acting in a supervisory capacity.

Softball BC highly recommends that all members of the coaching staff be Trained. The minimum requirement for certification is 'Making Ethical Decisions'. Assistant Coaches and Adult Supervisors are encouraged to further their certifications in order to eventually fulfil the Head Coach or Assistant Coach Roles in future Games.

## Head Coach – Certification Requirements

'All Head Coaches must have a minimum of NCCP Level 2 certification (or equivalent) in the sport they are coaching at the Games. Note that different requirements may be specified in the sport's technical package. All Zones must have a Head Coach. Some sports may require assistant coaches to have specific NCCP certification as noted in the Technical Package.'

*Please refer to the current Softball BC Handbook for more information on the requirements for Coaches at the BC Summer Games (Article 13).*

**Head Coach Applicants will only be considered for Softball if you meet the following criteria:**

1. At the time of selection, the Head Coach shall have, or demonstrate the potential of gaining, an NCCP Level II (old) or Clinic 2 with MED (new) training (i.e. attended clinic 1 & 2) by the year of the BC Summer Games.

**Assistant Coach Applications will only be considered for Softball if they meet the following criteria:**

1. All Assistant Coaches must have, at a minimum completed, NCCP 'Making Ethical Decisions' module prior to participating in the BC Games.

In addition to helping lead and guide your athletes to perform at their best at the Games, coaches are responsible for supervising them and ensuring their safety and well-being throughout their Games experience. This includes travelling on Games transportation to the Games with your athletes, staying in Games accommodations with your team, and supervising your athletes throughout the Games. All coaches and adult supervisors are responsible for the actions of their athletes. All coaches are expected to uphold and support the rules of the BC Games and Softball BC.

All applicants should take the time to familiarize themselves with the current rules regarding the BC Summer Games in the Softball BC Handbook. Article 13 - BC Summer Games will outline the Games and give a clear picture of the requirements and expectations from Softball BC.

A few noteworthy items from Article 13:

1. Players playing on a Zone team may not request a Cross Boundary Permit, tryout, and/or register to play in the year of the Summer Games and the year following the Summer Games with any Coach/Manager registered with the Zone team.
2. Coaches/Managers of the Zone team in the year of and the year following the BC Summer Games will not accept any players that were registered and played

with the Zone BC Summer Games team. Penalty to the Zone coaches/managers will be suspension from Softball BC. EXCEPTION: are any players that were registered and played with the Zone coaches/managers in the year prior and year of the BC Summer Games.

3. Athletes are only allowed to participate in one BC Summer Games Softball event in a lifetime.
4. Only one girls' team and one boys team from each of the eight Zones in the Province. There must be a minimum of 9 players to a maximum of 16 players and a maximum of three coaches and one manager. Two of the coaches/managers must be the same gender of the team to fill the role of chaperone. No other persons, such as bat boys/girls will be permitted to use Summer Games transportation or accommodation and may not receive medals or awards.
5. The Zone Head Coach and his/her coaching staff shall afford all eligible aged athletes in the Zone the opportunity of trying out for the Zone team.

For the full Article please see the current Softball BC Handbook.



*Thank you for your interest in becoming your Zone's next BC Summer Games Head Coach. Please take a few minutes to complete the application form and **submit to your Zone Representative**. A list of current Zone Representatives can be found on the [Softball BC website](#) under Championships – BC Summer Games.*

## 2016 BC SUMMER GAMES –COACH APPLICATION

APPLYING FOR: HEAD COACH \_\_\_\_\_ ASSISTANT COACH \_\_\_\_\_ ADULT SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_

HAVE YOU COACHED IN THE BC SUMMER GAMES BEFORE? Y\_\_\_\_\_ N\_\_\_\_\_

IF YES: WHAT YEAR(S)? \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF APPLICANT:	
PHONE NUMBER:	
PRIMARY EMAIL:	
MAILING ADDRESS:	
<i>CITY</i>	
<i>POSTAL CODE</i>	
SOFTBALL BC NUMBER	
NCCP NUMBER	
COACHING CERTIFICATION LEVEL	
COACHING HISTORY	

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