



Coach Training Requirements & Procedures – USA Hockey Coaches & Staff

USA HOCKEY: *The following areas of registration and training are required PRIOR to taking the ice with your fall team. You CANNOT be placed on a roster till all requirements are done*

USA HOCKEY MEMBERSHIP: Register for 2026/27 USA Hockey membership at the following link: <https://membership.usahockey.com/> **Immediately send number to Sandy Anderson!**

Fees will vary by birthyear and will include a USAH Fee + AHAI Fee (AHA is state affiliate)

Next Step is doing all of the requirements for being a coach/being on the ice & bench

COACHING INFORMATION PAGE: <https://www.usahockey.com/coachingcertification>

- ♦ **Complete the background screening.** [Click here.](#)

All adult coaches, officials, board members, employees, volunteers, and anyone else who will have regular contact with, or authority over, athletes under the age of 18 are required to submit to a background screen before any such contact with those athletes. Screening is done every other year so if you did yours in 2024-25, you must resubmit for 2026-27.

- ♦ **Complete the USA Hockey Safe Sport Training.**

(Required **every year** and you cannot be added to a USAH roster or be on the ice until completed). [Click Here.](#) Note: Safe Sport Training has a hard expiration date! If you did Safe Sport last year and do not renew your Safe Sport BEFORE the expiration date you will have to retake the entire training program instead of doing a shorter refresher course. (Coaches will need to create/log in to their profiles, click the link under the home tab to the coach eLearning site.)

- ♦ **Complete the online age-specific module(s) for the age level of play you are coaching.**

(Cost is \$20 per module and only needs to be completed once per age level. Must be completed PRIOR to participating in any team activities and you cannot be added to a roster until completed) [Age-Specific Modules](#) **NOTE:** (In some cases, coaches will need to complete the Foundations of Player Development module before purchasing their age-specific module. It depends on your profile within the USAH Registry and how current it is - everything is on that "USA Hockey Learning Page" and I have no access to it, so you will have to figure it out on your own or contact USA Hockey or ask a fellow coach if you are having issues)

- ♦ **Coaching Education Program Certification Clinic Requirements**

Find, register and attend the required certification clinic. (CEP)

The Cost is \$65. You can only attend one clinic per season and all coaches start at Level 1, after Level 1, you do Level 2, etc. You must do a new level every year until you get your Level 4 CEP - then you renew that every two years. You can take clinics from July 1st - December 31st each season. Most clinics are virtual and done online - it is highly recommended you register as soon as possible for your required CEP Level. [Click here to locate a clinic.](#)

IMPORTANT: Even though it says you have until Dec 31st to do your CEP, as Club Registrar I will NOT be able to get you on a USAH roster until you have this done so the SOONER you do this clinic the better.

Please note these are guidelines - it is coaches responsibility to be current with any changes or additions that USAH may put in place.