

COACHING CREDENTIAL UPGRADE REQUIREMENTS

[Discipline] = Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, etc.

Junior [Discipline] Trainer: The Junior [Discipline] Trainer provides support to the coach helping younger shooters learn safety and helping the coach at team activities. The Junior [Discipline] Trainer is recognized only to work under the direct supervision of an Appointed, Certified, or Advanced Coach. This level of the Coach Education Program was designed for young people who show leadership in shooting programs.

[Discipline] Coach (Level 1): The [Discipline] Coach (Level 1) is generally recognized to coach at the "grassroots" or club levels. The [Discipline] Coach (Level 1) is not eligible to work as a coach at the national level in shooting camps, clinics, and other NRA/USAS/CMP sponsored athlete programs.

Certified [Discipline] Coach (Level 2): The Certified [Discipline] Coach (Level 2) is certified by the NRA, USA Shooting and the Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) that, in our opinion, and based upon the evidence available to the NRA, USA Shooting and CMP, the candidate meets the requirements, which have been set for certification. The Certified [Discipline] Coach (Level 2) is eligible to work at the national level in shooting camps, clinics, and other sponsored programs.

The previous rating of USA Shooting International Coach has been combined with the Certified Coach into the Certified [Discipline] Coach (Level 2).

Advanced Certified [Discipline] Coach (Level 3): The Advanced Certified [Discipline] Coach (Level 3) is the highest-level coach currently certified by the NRA, USA Shooting and the Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP). The coach meets the highest requirements that NRA, USA Shooting and CMP have set for certification. The Advanced Certified [Discipline] Coach (Level 3) is eligible to work at the international level in Junior Olympic Shooting Camps, clinics, and other USA Shooting sponsored programs.

Credential Upgrades

Congratulations on becoming a shooting coach! The sport needs dedicated people to develop the next group of champion shooters.

Beginning athletes need a good fundamental background in the skills required to participate in local and state competition. Advanced shooters require assistance with training and techniques along with a continuous reinforcement of the fundamentals in order to compete at a higher level. The Coach Education Program trains individuals to coach these athletes from beginner to advanced.

To improve your knowledge about coaching, consider becoming a Certified [Discipline] Coach (Level 2), or Advanced Certified [Discipline] Coach (Level 3).

Check out the Coach Education Program website at
http://www.nrahq.org/education/training/coach_schools.asp

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Junior [Discipline] Trainer

Junior [Discipline] Trainers cannot renew and must upgrade to the Appointed Coach level.

[Discipline] Coach (Level 1)

To **UPGRADE** to the [Discipline] Coach (Level 1) credential, the Junior [Discipline] Trainer must:

- Be a Junior [Discipline] Trainer or complete the Coach School and pass the test (85% is passing)
- Be at least 18 years old
- Submit a coaching log showing at least 20 coach credits per year for each previous year as a Junior [Discipline] Trainer.

Certified [Discipline] Coach (Level 2)

To **UPGRADE** to the Certified [Discipline] Coach (Level 2) credential, the coach must:

- Be a [Discipline] Coach (Level 1)
- Be at least 21 years old
- Complete the Coaching Principles Course from the American Sport Education Program (ASEP)
- Submit a copy of current First Aid (American Red Cross Standard or equivalent program) Certification.
- Submit a coaching log for the previous three years showing at least 20 coach credits per year.
- Hold (or have held) an NRA or USAS classification card or fire in a match (discipline specific *e.g.*, rifle for rifle)
- Submit proof of membership in either **NRA** or **USA Shooting**.

Advanced Certified [Discipline] Coach (Level 3)

To **UPGRADE** to the Advanced Certified [Discipline] Coach (Level 3) credential, the coach must:

- Be a Certified [Discipline] Coach (Level 2)
- Attend the Advanced Coach School and successfully pass all the course requirements.
- Submit a coaching log for the previous three years showing at least 20 coach credits.
- Submit copy of current First Aid (American Red Cross Standard or equivalent program) Certification.
- Show proof of continuing education by attending a National Coaches Conference, coach seminar, shooting camp or other approved program conducted by the NRA, USA Shooting or CMP at least once in the previous three year period.
- Submit proof of membership in **USA Shooting**.

There are NO ADDITIONAL FEES to upgrade as long as you are current.

If you have any questions about your upgrade requirements please call the NRA Coach Education Program, 703-267-1401, coaching@nrahq.org

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