



BC SUMMER GAMES ZONE COACH JOB DESCRIPTION

ROLE OF THE ZONE COACH:

Coaches play a critical role in the personal as well as athletic development of their athletes.

Athletes attending the BC Summer Games have entered their next level of development, a stepping stone for some individuals on their way to higher levels of competition. The Zone Head Coach will work in cooperation with the Assistant Coach and athletes to prepare the Zone team in achieving the best possible performance at the BC Summer Games. CanoeKayak BC also views the Coach position as a key step for coaches interested in accessing high levels of coach development. The Assistant Coach position provides an extraordinary mentorship opportunity for coach development.

LEVEL OF COMPETITION:

- Athletes must be under 16 years of age in the year of the Games to participate (midget or younger)
- Each team will be composed of 8 athletes (4 women, 4 men or up to 6 members of one sex)
- Format of competition – development camp, skills competition, sprint, whitewater and outrigger competitions

MINIMUM COACHING REQUIREMENTS:

- All zone head coaches must have achieved full NCCP level 2 or Entry Level Competitive Coach 'Trained' status at least 30 days prior to the start of the Games
- All zone assistant coaches must have achieved full NCCP level 1 or CanoeKids 'Trained' status at least 30 days prior to the start of the Games
- Previous canoe/kayak coaching experience is required. This includes experience in the instruction, training and preparation of athletes as well as competition experience with athletes in the Train to Train and Learning to Compete stages of Long Term Athlete Development.
- Coaches must become members of the Coaches Association of BC and complete a criminal history check prior to commencing the coach position.
- A male and female coach for each zone is required.

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE:

- Conduct a zone selection camp
- Clearly communicating selection criteria to all eligible zone athletes in the selection process (this will vary from zone to zone)
- Selecting an 8 athlete zone team to represent their zone at the BC Summer Games July 22nd – 25th, 2010 in the Township of Langley and ranking additional athletes for the possible inclusion as wildcard entries.
- Conducting training camps or sessions as determined feasible by the coaching staff and budget restrictions
- Working closely with the Zone Representative to ensure all critical timelines are met in preparation for the 2010 Games. In addition to regular coaching duties, coaches are expected to travel with their athletes on Games transportation and stay with them in a supervisory capacity in Games accommodation. This is a volunteer position, however all expenses related to transportation, meals and accommodation are covered in your coaching role.
- Be available to attend with your team a "Pre Games" Camp in the days leading up to the Games.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

- A coach application form is available from CanoeKayak BC. Request by phone, email or view on the website at www.canoekayakbc.ca
- Applications for this position are accepted and approved by the CKBC High Performance Management Committee
- Your NCCP Activity Report verifying NCCP certification level and a criminal history check are to be submitted with your application. CKBC will accept www.mybackcheck.com histories. Please contact the office for details.