

## OPEN LETTER TO ALL OLBA COACHES

Launched in 1974, the National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP) is the CAC's flagship program, and has been identified as a world leader in coach education. The NCCP is delivered by 66 National Sport Organizations (Bowls Canada is one of them), and each year more than 60,000 coaches take a NCCP workshop.

The previous NCCP programs, known as levels 1, 2, and 3, have been replaced by Bowls Club Coach, Introductory Competition Coach, and Performance Coach.

The highest status for a Club Coach is "trained", not certified.

If you access the "Locker" it will say in brackets "transferred" once the transition takes place, so you can identify that the previous levels qualifications are now relevant in the updated system.

Professional Development (P.D.) points, Bowls specific are not yet available in the Locker. The generic ones that the Coaching Association of Canada have implemented have been added in the locker. Once transition in the locker happens, those can be activated.

When available, the program coordinator can update, or individuals can go in and self identify points for P.D. A Coach must get 20 P.D. points over 5 years in order to stay up-to-date. P.D. points can be online modules, attending conferences, coaching delivering courses, et.

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An email will go out to the coaches in the Locker who have agreed to receive emails. Those who have not agreed to receive emails, or who no longer have an active email will not receive one. Coaches will need to enter the Locker, add their email, and consent to receiving emails with a yes.

Other housekeeping items you will need to do include taking the Make Ethical Decisions within a 5 year period, and make sure your birth date appears in your file.

If you have any specific questions please contact Katie Gardner at Bowls Canada.

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