



ASSOCIATE COACH – NATIONAL GAMES

Job Description

ROLE OF THE ASSOCIATE COACH:

Associate Coaches play a critical role in the personal as well as athletic development of their athletes. The Associate Coach will work in cooperation with the Head Coach, manager, athletes, and SONL to prepare Team NL in achieving the best possible performance at the 2020 Special Olympics Canada Winter Games. SONL also views the Associate Coach position as a key step for coaches interested in accessing higher levels of coach development.

MINIMUM COACH REQUIREMENTS:

- Previous Special Olympics coaching experience is required.
- A minimum of two years coaching experience in your respective sport. Experience is not restricted to Special Olympics
- **Training:**

Special Olympics .NCCP Level 1 Theory +
Required: Make Ethical Decisions – Trained
SOC Level 1 Technical & Practical
Sport Specific Tech 1*

OR

SOC = *Special Olympics Canada **Competition** Sport Coach Workshop*
New NCCP Sport Specific
Making Ethical Decisions- Evaluated

- Strong interpersonal and communication skills and the ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing.
- Excellent communication, organizational and administrative skills.
- An ability to work as a team member within the guidelines of the Team NL Management structure.

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES:

National Games Preparation

- Ensure that all athletes within your sport are training and being trained appropriately. This includes cross training during the off-season.
- Work within the lines of communication set by Team NL to provide and receive information. This includes checking email daily for communication from your Head Coach, reaching out to your assigned athletes on a regular basis, and communicating with family members/guardians with updates.
- Actively participate in all scheduled meetings and conference calls as needed.
- Works closely with the SONL, Head Coach and Manager to ensure all critical timelines are met in preparation for the 2020 Special Olympics Canada Winter Games and other relevant competitions.
- Travel with team to games and returning from games.



- Attend send-off/team rally.

On Site

- Travel with athletes on Games transportation and stay with them in a supervisory capacity in Games accommodation.
- Chaperone athletes to ensure the appropriate supervision of all athletes 24 hours a day – 7 days a week. This includes travel times as well on site in at Games. This could also include responsibilities to athletes outside of your respective sport.
- Assist sport specific Head Coach to ensure that during Games competition rules are being enforced appropriately and those Team NL athletes within your sport are being judged fairly.
- Ensure athletes assemble on time for all activities (competitions, special events, etc.).
- Ensure that athletes have the opportunity to participate in activities outside of the sport)
- Act as a role model and conduct yourself within the Team NL Code of Conduct.
- Assist with chaperoning athletes as necessary to ensure the appropriate supervision of all athletes. This could also include responsibilities outside of your respective sport.

General

- Manage athletes (male and female) with an intellectual disability whose ages will range from 13 – 60 years old.
- Ensure code of conduct is completed by all athletes and adhered to

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

The Deadline for Applications is March 25, 2019. Selection will be made by SONL.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

Ideal applicants must be able to complete all responsibilities as listed above, have experience working with individuals with disabilities, managing sport teams/programs, and being part of a Special Olympics program.

Coaches must also be registered with SONL, have attended the provincial qualifier and have completed volunteer code of conduct and a criminal record check prior to the Games.

For Further information, please contact:

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Please Note: This is a non-salaried position, however certain expenses will be covered to attend camps and competitions pertaining to this position.