

## **SPECIAL OLYMPICS BC POLICY MANUAL**

Section: **SPORT**  
Policy: **Head Coach Selection – Local Level**  
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Creating a positive, safe program and experience for Special Olympics BC athletes and coaches is our prime focus. One of the key roles of the Head Coach of a program is to create an environment where athletes can train, compete, grow, improve, and have fun. As such, the selection and appointment of the Head Coach is an extremely important decision and shall be made with the best interests of all athletes and coaches in mind.

### Head Coach Selection:

- It will be the responsibility of the Program Coordinator to recommend to the Local Committee the names of individuals who will be asked to take on the Head Coach position within a Local.
- The Local Committee will register a vote in the minutes as to who will be appointed Head Coach of each program.
- The Head Coach will be provided with a copy of the Special Olympics BC Head Coach manual or will be provided with the link to find the manual on the Special Olympics BC website.
- The Head Coach will be appointed for a two year period, with a review at the end of each year, to determine whether the individual has fulfilled the requirements of this position.

Should a Head Coach, Assistant Coach or Program Volunteer not fulfill the requirements of their position, or not act in accordance with the policies and philosophies of Special Olympics BC, the Local Committee may review or remove their appointment at any time providing their actions are in line with the Code of Conduct Policy found on the SOBC website.