

2025 REGISTERED COACH PROGRAM SPECIFICATIONS



Important Things to Know

- ALL required forms, templates, documents, and links are available in each step of your application once you have purchased a Coach Status from your MyEC
- EC Sport License holders can preview the documents in ECampus by selecting the Resource Tab
- Candidate must be minimum 16 years of age.
- PTSO and EC Sport License must be current.
- \$80 enrollment fee for Registered Coach Status can be paid online via MyEC when purchasing Coach Status.
- Special rates for insurance and first aid courses are available through EC's valued partnerships with Henry Equestrian and St. John's Ambulance
- EC's Concussion Awareness and Fostering Healthy Equestrian Environment online courses are free with the purchase of Coach Status and must be completed before purchasing a Sport License

1. Equestrian Canada Screening Disclosure

The screening disclosure supports EC's commitment to create a safe, welcoming, and inclusive environment for all participants. It is updated annually upon renewal of your Coach Status and any changes must be noted.

If you have lived outside of Canada for more than 6 consecutive months in the last 10 years, international screening is required. A \$150 processing fee applies to International screening. This fee will also be required for any advanced background screening.

Legislation in certain countries may require a police certificate or a certificate of good conduct from the appropriate authorities within the country(ies) of residence. Additional costs are incurred by the candidate.

2. Canadian Criminal Record Check

EC provides a free link through Sterling Backcheck to conduct this criminal background search. It includes a Criminal Record Check within the RCMP National Repository of Criminal Records and a Local Police Information check.

If you are under 18, two-character references must be completed instead.



3. Vulnerable Sector Search (VSS)

This search differs from a Criminal Record Check as it searches within a closed National offenders database. It can only be completed through your local police detachment.

OR

Vulnerable Sector Search Acknowledgement (VSSA) if you were born after February 28, 1986

If you are under the age of 18, two-character references must be completed instead.

4. Coaching References

One (1) EC Letter of Reference must be provided by one of the following.

- Employer (Equine Industry) current or within the past 3 years
- Students/Athletes or their parent/guarding current or within the past 3 years
- Co-workers coaches working with you within your current coaching setting or who have worked with you in the past 3 years.

The person providing the reference must be the age of majority in your province/territory of residence and must not be an immediate family member.

5. Standard First Aid CPR Level C

Certification must be from a Canadian provider, recognized by Occupational Health & Safety standards in your province of residence.

QUEBEC ONLY: CNESST Cardio-Secours/DEA/SA 1.SH course (A+) 16 hours

6. Concussion Education (1 of 2 is required)

Equestrian Canada: Concussion Awareness online learning

OR

NCCP Making Headway in Sport (Multisport) online learning

7. Training for the Prevention of Maltreatment in Sport (1 of 3 is required)

Fostering Healthy Equestrian Environments online learning

OR

Coaching Association of Canada Safe Sport Training

OR

Respect in Sport for Activity Leaders*

*Mandatory for Saskatchewan and Manitoba members.



8. EC Certificate of Insurance

Minimum Required Coverages:

- \$2,000,000 Commercial General Liability
- Professional Liability Insurance **OPTIONAL**, please contact your Insurance Broker for advice.
- Equestrian Canada (EC) and your Provincial/Territorial Equestrian Association (PTSO) must be named as additional insured AND
- Waiver of subrogation in favor of EC and your PTSO

If you are an employee of a facility

An EC Waiver of Insurance and Acknowledgment of Risks Form and an EC Certificate of Insurance from the employer is required.