



Section 1100 - Coaching Requirements & Levels

1101.01 - National Register of Coaches

The ISAI is committed to providing certainty and security by creating a national register of coaches. The national register will confirm that those registered meet the minimum requirements of the ISAI and sport practices in Ireland to instruct at an appropriate level. This document details requirements for coaching registration.

1101.02 - Registration Compliance

All coaches must be registered and compliant prior to being eligible to coach at ISAI sanctioned events.

The ISAI will only engage a coach to delivery programmes at the level for which they are registered and no higher.

The ISAI will be responsible for ensuring all coaches engaged on ISAI programmes, workshops or other ISAI managed events comply with these criteria.

At all other times, outside of the ISAI involvement, the responsibility to ensure the coach is appropriate for the activity involved is the responsibility of the rink, club, parent or skater.

ISAI would strongly recommend that before privately hiring a coach, the skater or parents read this Criteria as the responsibility to engage solely remains theirs.

1102.0 - Registered Coach:

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A registered coach is an experienced, skilled and dedicated professional who has met the requirements and criteria for Assistant, Emerald, National, or Senior coach level.

Coaches must register for the separate ISU disciplines, Singles and Pairs, Ice Dance or Synchronized Skating for which they hold the appropriate discipline standard. A coach can be registered for more than one discipline.

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To qualify as a registered coach an individual must fulfill all of the following requirements:

- All ISAI subscriptions and any coaching registration fees must be current.
- All coaches must renew their coach registration on the 1st July yearly with the ISAI.
- All coaches aged 18 and above must be Garda vetted
- All coaches aged 18 and above must hold current ISC Child Protection Certification.
- All coaches must adhere to the ISAI Code of Conduct.
- All coaches aged 18 and above must hold a current First Aid Certificate.



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A list of registered coaches and their coaching level will be made public by the ISAI. Coaches will not be entered on the coaching registration list until all requirements are met and fees paid.

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Coaches without ISAI registration or who do not classify as visiting or foreign coaches will not be listed or given rink side admittance at ISAI events.

1103.0 - Assistant Coach

Assistant Coaches are recognized to teach up to Husky Level 3 and Emerald Skate 1- 4 levels.

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To qualify as a registered Assistant Coach an individual must fulfill all of the following requirements:

- Must be a minimum of 15 years of age.
- Must hold ISAI Emerald Skate Level 8 or above, or equivalent skating experience.
- Must provide relevant reference.
- Must have passed ISAI Assistant Coach on and off ice assessment.

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Assistant Coaches are encouraged to attend Coaching Education Courses. Assistant Coaches will be given access to learning tools of other coaches and may shadow higher level coaches.

1104.0 - Emerald Coach

Emerald Coaches are recognized to teach up to Husky Level 3 and Emerald Skate 8 levels.

1104.1

To qualify as a registered Emerald Coach an individual must fulfill all of the following requirements:

- Must be a minimum of 18 years old.
- Must hold ISAI Full National Bronze Test and FM1 (Singles and Pairs, Ice Dance, or Synchronized) or above, or coaching experience taking a skater successfully through the National Bronze Test.
- Must provide relevant reference.
- Must have passed ISAI Emerald Skate Coach on ice and written assessment
- Must show evidence of appropriate insurance for activities.

1105.0 - National Coach

National Coaches recognized to teach all levels up to and including Novice B levels.

1105.1

To qualify as a registered National Coach an individual must fulfill all of the following requirements:

- Must be a minimum of 18 years old.
- Must hold ISAI Full Basic Novice B Test and FM2 (Singles and Pairs, Ice Dance or Synchronized) or



above, or coaching experience taking a skater successfully through the Basic Novice B Test.

- Must provide relevant reference.
- Must pass ISAI National Coach on ice and written assessment.
- Must show evidence of appropriate insurance for activities.

1106.0 – Senior Coach

Senior Coaches are recognized to teach all levels.

1106.1

To qualify as a registered Senior Coach an individual must fulfill all of the following requirements:

- Must be a minimum of 18 years old
- Must hold ISAI Full Senior Test and FM4 (Singles and Pairs, Ice Dance or Synchronized) or coaching experience taking a skater successfully through the Senior Test.
- Must provide relevant reference.
- Must pass ISAI Senior Coach on ice and written assessment.
- Must show evidence of appropriate insurance for activities.

1107.0 International Coach

An International Coach is a professional who has taken a skater to competition at an ISU International Competition at Novice, Junior or Senior Events.

1108.0 World Coach

A World Coach is a professional who has taken a skater to competition at ISU World Championships.

1109.0 Olympic Coach

An Olympic Coach is a professional who has taken a skater to competition at Winter Olympic Games.

1110.0 - Renewal Requirements:

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Registration is renewable yearly on the 1st of July. All requirements must be met before renewal can be accepted.

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Failure to meet renewal requirements may result in a coach being removed from the National Register. At the ISAI's discretion and subject to application for the outstanding requirements a grace period of no more than 3 months may be given.

During the 3 month grace period a coach may continue coaching.

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Where a coach fails to meet the final deadline after the grace period or no application for an extension is given, a coach will be removed from the National Register. A coach returning to service after a break from



their appointment will be required to re-sit the coaching assessment for their former level, and may be re-appointed at that level on confirmation all other requirements are met.

1111.0 - Coaches from other Countries

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Coaches visiting for competitions, workshops, seminars, and courses are not required to register for the coaching registration list provided their stay in Ireland is of limited duration.

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Coaches visiting from other countries whose stay in Ireland is less than one year or for study purposes may apply to coach and are not required to register once they provide all relevant evidence to support their application, if their period of coaching is limited to 1 season. If a coach continues coaching over a period of 2 seasons or more, then they must comply with registration.

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Coaches from other (ISU) Member Federations who wish to teach in Ireland on a permanent basis may apply to the standard they believe they qualify for. Applicants must provide all relevant evidence to support their application.

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The ISAI only recognise coaching qualifications supported by other ISU Federations and recognised Professional Skating Coaching Bodies.

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The ISAI may award National/International coaching status to coaches from other ISU Member Federations working with our skaters on an ongoing basis. All decisions must go before the ISAI Board for verification.

1112.0 - Coaching without Registration:

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ISAI members who are non-compliant and attempt to coach at an ISAI sanctioned event are subject to disciplinary action by the ISAI and Just Sport Ireland.

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Individuals who are neither members or compliant with these regulations will not be given rink side accesses at ISAI sanctioned events.

1113.0 Revocation of Licensee

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The ISAI reserves the right to revoke any coach's license at any time should the board deem it justifiable.