

What is the best way to ensure that I can get my coaches certified?

Be proactive! Once you have appointed your coaches for the season, it's time for them to submit their Criminal Record Checks (CRC). This is an opportune time to have them complete the online theory, so make it part of the coach application and appointment process!

Don't you think that parents will be comforted more knowing that their child is being coached by someone who has gone through an official safety screening and has had formal access to basic coach training?

By doing this, it will also help ensure that all your coaches will have the online theory (Part 1) pre-requisite to be able to register for an on-field practical workshop (Part 2) you will be hosting down the road. This is a practical way to eliminate the last-minute race to get coaches through the online theory pre-requisite and it will reduce the risk of cancelling workshops you have worked so hard to set up.

Consider taking this approach to help you meet the coaching requirement more effectively according to

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You can further help your coaches by acquiring the pre-purchased key codes from Canada Soccer and distribute them at the time of your coaching appointments when you request the CRC information and direct the coaches to take the respective online theory course. This will also help you eliminate the need to provide individual reimbursements to coaches afterwards if you are covering the online theory costs to support their coach education pathway.