



2023 Canada Winter Games (CWG) Coach Application

Vision:

- To identify, develop and support both athletes and coaches in the sport of Fencing.

Mission:

- To support selected athletes to develop to their full potential in the sport of Fencing.
- To create a supportive environment between athletes and coaches within Alberta.

Team Structure:

- One (1) Coach and one (1) Team Manager will be selected to represent Alberta and support our athletes. If the Coach is female, the Team Manager must be a male, and vice versa.

Eligibility

- Any staff listed as Coach named to Team Alberta must be fully certified under the National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP) to at least NCCP Fencing Competition Certified status. These coaches must meet the coaching certification criteria no later than 90 days before the opening of the Games (Feb 18, 2023). Coaches must also demonstrate they have experience coaching cadet athletes aged 12-17.
- The Coach must meet the following eligibility requirements:
 - Prospective coaches must be members in good standing with Alberta Fencing at the time of qualification and must remain in good standing until completion of the Games.
 - Prospective coaches must have an up to date police check and Respect in Sport Certificate. These are to be completed in addition to submitting to the AFA an **Expression of Interest** (by email or mail) by **July 31, 2021**.
 - Prospective coaches must meet the same residency and eligibility requirements as their athletes as described in the CWG Technical Package.
 - Prospective coaches must complete a CWG **Declaration of Intent** form, indicating their understanding of the selection process and the time commitment by **July 31, 2021**.



Selection Criteria

- Coach and Team Manager selection will be made by the Alberta Fencing Executive Director and the CWG Committee based upon the published criteria on the AFA website.

Time Commitment

- There are a number of mandatory meetings and training camps that the CWG Coach and Team Manager must attend in support of the athletes seeking to qualify for CWG. The CWG Coach will also communicate with personal coaches who support potential and named CWG athletes to ensure the athlete develops to their full potential and within a supportive environment. The CWG would oversee the training and tertiary support provided at Alberta Fencing training camps to CWG-eligible athletes.
- This is a **volunteer position** that will require some weekend and evening work as well as additional travel time leading up to the Games, **February 2023 to March 2023**. Additionally, a planned SYC/RYC or Canada Cup event to attend as preparation for the Games.
- There are several coaching modules that may need to be completed prior to the coach certification deadline prior to the commencement of the Canada Games. Individuals will need to begin working on completing NCCP certification immediately in order to complete Canada Games Coach certification prior to the deadline.

Application Submission:

- Prospective coaches must submit in writing, or by electronic means, to the Executive Director their applications by **August 15, 2021**.

Coach Selection

- The CWG Committee will review the applications received with the Executive Director and make their selections by **August 31, 2021**.
- Successful applicants will be immediately notified by electronic means of their selection and be sent subsequent forms to be filled out and returned by no later than **September 15, 2021**.
- The CWG Coach must sign and return to the Alberta Fencing Association a Coach Agreement contract in order to coach in the 2023 CWG by **September 30, 2021**.
- If NCCP certification is not complete, a professional development plan to complete certification by the Games deadline must also be included.
- Coach and Team Manager selection will be finalized by the Alberta Fencing Executive Director and the CWG Committee by **September 30, 2021**.



**Canada Winter Games
Coach Declaration of Intent**

Name of Coach	
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yr)	
Address	
City	
Postal Code	
Phone Number	
Cell Number	
Email	
Alberta Fencing Membership Number	
Sanctioned Club Affiliation	
Additional Coaching Certifications	
Two Professional Coaching References (include contact info)	1) 2)

Yes, I want to be considered for the Canada Winter Games. I meet the eligibility criteria as detailed in the CWG Coach Information document and the Fencing Technical Package. Where applicable, list any deficiency and a professional development plan to satisfy the criteria by CWG deadline.

Following the appointment, I agree to:

- Support CWG-eligible athletes appropriately for age and skill level in order to maintain a balanced level of health and fitness.
- Maintain appropriate levels of communication with the coaches of CWG-eligible athletes and personal coaches to ensure the athletes train appropriately.
- When deemed necessary, request to see the training schedules of CWG-athletes from the coaches or athletes.
- Plan, oversee and attend the Alberta Fencing CWG camps in preparation for CWG.
- Attend all mandatory CWG meetings.

Printed Name	
Date	
Coach Signature	

DEADLINE: July 31, 2021

Please submit Declaration of Intent forms to info@fencing.ab.ca.