

Volunteer Coaching Positions: Para Hockey

PROVINCIAL JUNIOR AND DEVELOPMENT COACH

The Provincial Para Hockey Junior & Development Coach will volunteer part time from September 2026 - April 2027, supporting the introduction and ongoing development of para hockey athletes in the province of BC. This position is on a volunteer basis, with all travel expenses covered by SportAbility.

This role focuses on creating a positive, inclusive, and engaging environment for athletes at the junior and development level. The coach will support skill development on and off the ice, assist with program delivery, and contribute to athlete progression within the pathway. Coaching at the Wednesday and Saturday program in Surrey is strongly preferred but not required.

The term of the position is until April 2027 and will be reviewed at that time.

Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Support the planning and delivery of junior and development-level on-ice sessions and camps
- Assist in creating a welcoming and inclusive environment for athletes of all abilities and experience levels
- Support foundational skill development, including skating, puck control, and game awareness
- Provide encouragement, feedback, and mentorship to athletes and families
- Assist with monitoring athlete development and progression within the program
- Collaborate with coaches and SportAbility staff to support long-term athlete development pathways
- Support program delivery at regular sessions, including the Wednesday and Saturday Surrey program where applicable
- Demonstrate an ongoing commitment to continued education in sport, including coaching courses and SafeSport education

Preferred Qualifications

- NCCP Level 1/2 Hockey Canada Coaching Certification (or willingness to obtain)
- Interest in working with athletes with disabilities or in adaptive sport environments
- Experience in hockey or sport instruction at a grassroots, recreational, or development level
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills, with a participant-centered approach
- Knowledge of the Long-Term Athlete Development Model is an asset
- Emergency First Aid CPR C certification (or willingness to obtain)
- Availability to support in-person programming in Surrey is considered an asset

Successful candidates will be required to complete a Criminal Record Check, as well as Safe Sport/Respect in Sport training.

Application Process:

1. **Please submit your coaching resume to Donna Cumming at donnacumming@sportabilitybc.ca by August 15, 2026.** Include all relevant coaching and SafeSport qualifications. In your e-mail, please indicate which position(s) you are interested in being considered for.