

**Equine Canada/NCCP
Competition Coach Specialist - Western
Prerequisites**



The Competition Coach Specialist is a coach who is actively working with the competitive rider. The coach will continue to stress basic riding, horsemanship and safety skills, but is expected to be capable of advancing students to Silver and Gold competitions. The coach should be able to evaluate a horse and its suitability for a student, supervise stable operations and routines, and have experience in training horses for competition.

PREREQUISITES

- EC/NCCP Equestrian Theory Course - Strongly recommended
 - EC/NCCP Competition Coach Workshop - Strongly recommended
 - EC/NCCP Competition Coach Analyzing Performance Clinic - Strongly recommended
 - Outcome 1 – Yearly training plan and EAP (See template and details available at EC)
 - Outcome 4 – Yearly Training Plan (See template and details available at EC)
 - Outcome 5 – Manage a Sport Program (See template and details available at EC)
 - Current First Aid Certificate
 - Signed Code of Ethics and Coaches Code of Conduct
 - Current PSO membership & EC Competitive Gold+ License
- As well as completing the above, a potential Competition Coach Specialist candidate must provide proof of the following:

REINING	REQUIREMENTS	SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
COMPETITIVE EXPERIENCE	<input type="checkbox"/> The Candidate must have achieved a minimum score of 68, under at least 2 different NRHA, CRC or Breed judges, on 3 or more runs. OR The Candidate's student(s) must have achieved a minimum score of 65, under at least 2 different NRHA, CRC or Breed judges, on 3 or more runs. <input type="checkbox"/> If the Candidate student's(s') competitive experience is used, the student(s) must submit a signed letter indicating the Candidate was their coach at the time they achieved the scores. <input type="checkbox"/> Show records verifying either of these sets of scores will need to be submitted.	Any documentation providing evidence such as: Name/date of shows, names of judges, copy of judge's sheet. If not available OR (if your competitive experience took place more than ten years ago) two letter(s) of reference from sponsor/coach/show official supporting your competitive experience.
TRAINING EXPERIENCE	<input type="checkbox"/> The Candidate must have trained a horse that they have competed on, and achieved a minimum score of 68, under at least 2 different NRHA, CRC or Breed judges, on 3 or more runs. OR The Candidate must have trained a horse that their student(s) has competed on, and achieved a minimum score of 65, under at least 2 different NRHA, CRC or Breed judges, on 3 or more runs. <input type="checkbox"/> Show records verifying either of these sets of	Any documentation providing evidence such as: Name/date of shows, names of judges, copy of judge's sheet. Please provide a letter(s) from a sponsor, owner/rider of horses trained to supporting your training experience.

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COACHING EXPERIENCE	<input type="checkbox"/> The Candidate must have at least 2 years coaching experience at NRHA, CRC or Breed Shows with a student(s) who has achieved minimum scores of 65, under at least 2 different judges, on 3 or more runs. <input type="checkbox"/> Show records verifying these scores will need to be submitted	Any documentation providing evidence such as: Name/date of shows, names of judges, copy of judge's sheet. Plus name/date of events, a letter(s) from the identified students (or sponsor or parent in the case of a minor), supporting your coaching experience at the identified competitions.

SPEED EVENTS	REQUIREMENTS	SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
COMPETITIVE EXPERIENCE	<input type="checkbox"/> The Candidate must have achieved in: 1) <u>Barrel Racing</u> – a top ten placing in 1 st or 2 nd division at Provincial, National Speed Event Shows, or a top 4 placing at Rodeos or Breed Shows, on 3 or more runs. 2) <u>Pole Bending</u> – a time of 24 seconds or under at Provincial, National Speed Event Shows, Breed Shows or Rodeos, on 3 or more runs. OR The Candidate's student(s) must have achieved in: 1) <u>Barrel Racing</u> – a top ten placing in any division at Provincial, National Speed Event Shows, or a top 6 placing at Rodeos or Breed Shows, on 3 or more runs. 2) <u>Pole Bending</u> – a time of 26 seconds or under at Provincial, National Speed Event Shows, Breed Shows or Rodeos, on 3 or more runs. <input type="checkbox"/> If the Candidate's student's(s) competitive experience is used, the student(s) must submit a signed letter indicating the Candidate was their coach at the time they achieved the placings or times. <input type="checkbox"/> Show records, verifying either of the sets of placings or times, will need to be submitted.	Any documentation providing evidence such as: Name/date of shows, names of judges, copy of judge's sheet. If not available OR (if your competitive experience took place more than ten years ago) two letter(s) of reference from sponsor/coach/show official supporting your competitive experience.
TRAINING EXPERIENCE	<input type="checkbox"/> The Candidate must have trained a horse that has achieved the requirements for the candidate's Competitive Experience. <input type="checkbox"/> Show records, verifying either of the sets of placings or times, will need to be submitted.	Any documentation providing evidence such as: Name/date of shows, names of judges, copy of judge's sheet. Please provide a letter(s) from a sponsor, owner/rider of horses trained to supporting your training experience.
COACHING EXPERIENCE	<input type="checkbox"/> The Candidate must have at least 2 years' coaching experience at Provincial, National Speed Event Shows, Breed Shows or Rodeos and have a student(s) who has achieved the requirements for the candidate's student's Competitive Experience. <input type="checkbox"/> Show records, verifying placings or times, will need to be submitted.	Any documentation providing evidence such as: Name/date of shows, names of judges, copy of judge's sheet. Plus name/date of events, a letter(s) from the identified students (or sponsor or parent in the case of a minor), supporting your coaching experience at the identified competitions.

GENERAL PERFORMANCE	REQUIREMENTS	SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
COMPETITIVE EXPERIENCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The Candidate must have achieved a top 4 placing, in a class of 6 competitors, under at least 2 different judges, at a minimum of 3 Breed or Provincial Shows. These results must be repeated in at least 3 different discipline classes, from the list as follows: Western Pleasure, Showmanship, Horsemanship, Trail, Western Riding OR The Candidate student(s) must have achieved a top 5 placing, in a class of 6 competitors, under at least 2 different judges, at a minimum of 3 Breed or Provincial Shows. These results must be repeated in at least 3 different discipline classes, from the list above. <input type="checkbox"/> If the Candidate's student's(s') competitive experience is used, the student(s) must submit a signed letter indicating the Candidate was their coach at the time they achieved the placings. <input type="checkbox"/> Show records, verifying either of the sets placings, will need to be submitted. 	Any documentation providing evidence such as: Name/date of shows, names of judges, copy of judge's sheet. If not available OR (if your competitive experience took place more than ten years ago) two letter(s) of reference from sponsor/coach/show official supporting your competitive experience.
TRAINING EXPERIENCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The Candidate must have trained a horse that has achieved the requirements for the candidate's Competitive Experience. <input type="checkbox"/> Show records, verifying either of the sets of placings, will need to be submitted. 	Any documentation providing evidence such as: Name/date of shows, names of judges, copy of judge's sheet. Please provide a letter(s) from a sponsor, owner/rider of horses trained to supporting your training experience.
COACHING EXPERIENCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The Candidate must have at least 2 years' coaching experience at Breed or Provincial Shows, and have a student(s) who has achieved the requirements for the candidate's student's Competitive Experience. <input type="checkbox"/> Show records verifying these placings will need to be submitted. 	Any documentation providing evidence such as: Name/date of shows, names of judges, copy of judge's sheet. Plus name/date of events, a letter(s) from the identified students (or sponsor or parent in the case of a minor), supporting your coaching experience at the identified competitions.