

Coaching Certification: refers to a coach being able to complete a coaching course and gain advancement of knowledge at a particular level that would better his or her skills in the teaching the game of soccer thus becoming certified. (Example of coaching course – Community Coach Children)

Registration: Every coach, assistant coach, manager, and volunteer parent or volunteer participating in any on field activities with the team has to be registered and insured through SSA. This does not mean certified with the correct coaching certification but registered to show due diligence in terms of insurance and registered to help the operations of the association in offering grass roots programming, referee & coaching clinics and the day to day operations that exist in running the SSA.

The SSA is pleased to make the following recommendations for coaching levels throughout the province:

<b>Under 4 &amp; Under 6 - All Divisions</b>	<b>Introduction to Coaching Course</b>
<b>Under 8 - All Divisions</b>	<b>Introduction to Coaching Course / Community Coach Children</b>
<b>Under 10 – All Divisions</b>	<b>Community Coach Children</b>
<b>Under 12 – All Divisions</b>	<b>Community Coach Children &amp; Youth</b>

Note: The above coaching criteria will be highly recommended by the SSA but not a requirement. The children will only benefit from any additional certification and will make them not only better players but will optimize and enhance their experiences playing soccer. This is why the SSA would like to and is striving to achieve programming throughout the province where each team should have a coach with proper certification present during all team activities and events.

**Effective November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010 the above recommendations will become mandatory coaching requirements of the Saskatchewan Soccer Association.**

**Effective November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2008**, the Saskatchewan Soccer Association hereby requires that all coaching staff on the bench be age appropriately certified pursuant to the provisions of the Saskatchewan Soccer Association coaching program as conducted by the Canadian Soccer Association when a team is participating in a recognized Saskatchewan Soccer Association “Provincial” competition(s), PSL games, inter-provincial and international matches. The criteria for head and assistant coaches are listed below:

<b>Under 14 - All Divisions</b>	<b>Head Coach - Community Coach Children &amp; Youth Asst. Coach - Community Coach Children &amp; Youth</b>
<b>Under 16 &amp; Under 18 – All Divisions</b>	<b>Head Coach - Full Community Coach (Children, Youth &amp; Senior) Asst. Coach - Full Community Coach (Children, Youth &amp; Senior)</b>
<b>PSL - Under 14, Under 16 &amp; Under 18</b>	<b>Head Coach - Full Community Coach (Children, Youth &amp; Senior) Asst. Coach - Full Community Coach (Children, Youth &amp; Senior)</b>
<b>PSL - Open Divisions (Men and Women)</b>	<b>Head Coach - Full Community Coach (Children, Youth &amp; Senior)</b>
<b>Senior Recreation/ Masters/ Classics</b>	<b>Head Coach - Community Coach Senior</b>
<b>Senior Competitive/ Masters/ Classics</b>	<b>Head Coach - Community Coach Senior</b>