

TO ENSURE OUR MEMBERSHIP KNOW ABOUT CHANGES IN THE WORLD OF ONTARIO RINGETTE WE URGE YOU TO FOLLOW OUR RINGETTE FLASH! NEWSLETTERS!

2011-2012 SEASON:

Make Ethical Decisions (MED) Certification

- In accordance with Ringette Canada and NCCP requirements, all coaches must now become MED Certified. Becoming MED Certified involves attending a MED training module (which is included in the Community Sport Initiation (CSI) clinic and the Competition Introduction Part 1 (CI-1) clinic) and then completing an online evaluation through the CAC website.
- Coaches who completed a CSI or CI clinic prior to June 30, 2011 must obtain their MED Certification by January 8, 2012 (i.e. must complete the online evaluation). Coaches who complete a CSI or CI clinic this season have until January 8, 2013 to complete their MED Certification, with the exception of 'AA' and 'AAA' level coaches, who must have this Certification by January 8th of the current playing season.
- Please see the September 2011 ORA Membership Notice 'Make Ethical Decisions (MED)
 Certification Requirements and Instructions for Coaches' for a complete outline of the requirements and instructions for completion of this Certification.

Female Coach on the Bench

- The requirement for there to be a qualified female coach or assistant coach on the bench for all teams, that was scheduled to be in place for this coming season, has been removed. This requirement still applies to 'AA' and 'AAA' teams as has been the case for a number of years. All other teams (U19 and under) are still required to have an adult female on the bench, but, as is currently the case, this female can be a manager, trainer or coach.

2011- 2012 Season Coaching Dates

All bench staff must be qualified for their position by

<u>January 8, 2012.</u>

Rule Change Clinics

2011/2012 is a Rule Change Year and therefore, a coach or assistant coach from the bench of every registered team must attend a Rule Change Clinic this fall.

Information regarding these clinics will be available within your Region.

Coaching Clinics

• NCCP coaching clinics – CSI, CI-1 and CI-2 – are offered in each Region. Registration for all clinics will be done through the new Ringette Canada National Coach Registry System. All coaches are encouraged to create a profile on this system. In addition to giving you the ability to register for clinics, you will have access to various coaching resources and updates from Ringette Canada. Check it out at www.ringette.ca. Click on 'Register Now' under the 'Coaching' tab to create your profile.

Bench Staff Qualification Requirements for 2011/2012

- The requirements for the training and certification of Ringette coaches have been developed by Ringette Canada and the Coaching Association of Canada (CAC) in accordance with the National Coaches' Certification Program (NCCP). With the exception of the Make Ethical Decisions (MED) Certification requirement outlined above, bench staff qualification requirements are unchanged from last season. Please refer to the Coaching Development Section of the ORA Operating Manual for a complete list of bench staff responsibilities and qualification requirements.

Regional Coaching Coordinators

- Regional Coaching Coordinators, who manage the training of bench staff in their regions, as
 well as monitor coaches' qualifications on an ongoing basis, are available to answer any
 questions you have regarding bench staff requirements and qualifications.
- Eastern Region (and Provincial Coaching Development Chair) Kathy McCaw mccawkathy@gmail.com
- Northeast/Northwest Region Susan Weiskopf coaching@northeastringette.com
- Western Region Michael Genereaux <u>coachwrra@wrra.ca</u>
- Central and Southern Regions are currently looking for Coaching Coordinators. In the meantime, please contact the respective Regional Chair at <u>director.central.region@ontario-ringette.com</u> or <u>director.southern.region@ontatio-ringette.com</u>.

Have a Great Ringette Season!

Coaching Development Committee