

# Coaching Certification – Original and Second Pathway Comparison

Effective immediately, coaches looking to obtain New York State certification have the option of pursuing a second pathway to complete the required coaching coursework via online courses offered by the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS).

## Initial Temporary Coaching License

- CPR/First Aid
- Child Abuse workshop
- School Violence workshop
- DASA training
- Fingerprint clearance

## 1<sup>st</sup> Renewal (second-year)

- CPR/First Aid
- Child Abuse workshop
- School Violence workshop
- DASA training
- Fingerprint clearance

The pathway chosen at the time of their **2<sup>nd</sup> Renewal** locks the coach into a set of certification requirements that will need to be met for subsequent TCL renewals, as well as their eventual professional coaching certificate.

## OPTION I – Current Requirements

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Renewal – 4<sup>th</sup> Renewal

- All items required for initial TCL and first renewal
- Philosophy, Principles and Org. of Coaching

### Professional Coaching Certificate

- All items required for initial TCL and first renewal
- Philosophy, Principles and Org. of Coaching
- Health Science as it Relates to Coaching
- Techniques of Coaching
- Three TCLs on file
- Three years' satisfactory evaluations

## OPTION II – NFHS

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Renewal – 4<sup>th</sup> Renewal

- All items required for initial TCL and first renewal
- NFHS Accredited Interscholastic Coach Certificate (AIC – Level 1), which includes:
  1. Fundamentals of Coaching
  2. First Aid, Health and Safety for Coaches
  3. Concussion in Sports
  4. One (1) sport-specific course

### Professional Coaching Certificate

- All items required for initial TCL and first renewal
- NFHS AIC – Level 1 Certificate
- NFHS Certified Athletic Coach Certificate (CIC – Level 2), which includes:
  1. **Fundamentals of Coaching\***
  2. **First Aid, Health and Safety for Coaches\***
  3. **Concussion in Sports\***
  4. **One (1) sport-specific course\***
  5. Bullying, Hazing and Inappropriate Behaviors
  6. Strength and Conditioning
  7. Teaching and Modeling Behavior
  8. Engaging Effectively with Parents
  9. Sportsmanship
  10. Sports Nutrition
  11. Heat Illness Prevention

*\* COURSES 1-4 TAKEN VIA AIC-LEVEL 1*

- Internship (30 hours)
- Verification of three years of coaching

**Courses available online at  
[www.nfhs.org/learn](http://www.nfhs.org/learn)**