

ARTICLE 13
COACHING REQUIREMENT

Section 1. Coaches Eligibility

All NEW Rhode Island Interscholastic League Coaches (Varsity, Junior Varsity, Freshman, Volunteers) hired after January 1, 2012 MUST be certified in accordance with the new RIIL Coaching Permit Requirements.

- A. Coaches who have met the following RIIL/RIDE requirements will be exempt from the NEW RIIL/RIDE Coaching Requirement:
- a. Hold a valid Rhode Island Coaches Certificate from the RI Department of Education prior to January 1, 2012.
 - i. Successfully completed a Standard First Aid course.
 - ii. Completed the RIIL/NFHS sponsored Fundamentals of Coaching Course and the RIIL Rules and Regulations Test.
 - iii. Completed the NFHS Concussion Course prior to the start of the season on an annual basis
 - b. All RETURNING Private/Parochial coaches presently coaching in 2011-2012 who are listed as a coach on the RIIL website, and have not received their RIDE Certificate will be exempt from the New RIIL/RIDE Coaching Requirements.
- B. NEW Coaching Permit**
- a. ALL New coaches hired after January 1, 2012 must follow the following new RIIL/RIDE requirements:
 - i. Apply for and receive a valid coaching permit from the RI Dept. of Education. This is Valid for FIVE (5) years.
Conditions for issuance: The applicant has successfully completed the minimum of the following courses within three (3) years prior to the application for the permit:
 - ii. A Red Cross First Aid Course and Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) course approved by the RI Dept. of Education.
 - iii. The NFHS Fundamentals of Coaching Course or a Coaching Minor from an approved College or University, and the RIIL Rules and Regulations test.
 - iv. Completed the NFHS Concussion Course prior to the start of the season on an annual basis
 - b. **Conditions for renewal (every 5 years)**
 - i. **Within three (3) years of application for renewal, the applicant must show evidence of a valid Red Cross First Aid / CPR course**
 - ii. **Completion of a Course approved by the Rhode Island Interscholastic league**
- C. New Coaches who have not received the RIIL/RIDE Permit and the NFHS Concussion course are not eligible to coach any RIIL contest
- D. Each head coach of a varsity team under RIIL jurisdiction must attend a rules interpretation meeting for that sport. If the head coach cannot attend the meeting, the Athletic Director of his/her designee must attend

Section 2. Penalty

The penalty for the use of an ineligible coach in any RIIL approved competition, game (league or non-league) event/championship tournament play will result in a fine of \$100 per ineligible coach. The ineligible coach cannot coach until s/he is certified and fine is paid.

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