



**CANADA SNOWBOARD COACHING PROGRAM (“CSCP”)
MINIMUM AGE POLICY**

POLICY STATEMENT: Canada Snowboard has aligned with The National Coaching Certification Program’s Minimum Age Policy for all persons wishing to participate in the Canada Snowboard Coaching Program.

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Related Policies:	CSCP Operational Manual

Definitions:

1. CSCP: Canada Snowboard Coaching Program
2. PTSA: Provincial/ Territorial Snowboard Association

Purpose

3. To ensure all participants are provided an opportunity to achieve a coach designation while acting within the standards of a reasonable and responsible leader, providing a safe environment for participants.
4. Coaching education for individuals less than 16 years of age provides the capacity to encourage athletes in their first coaching experience and retain athletes who would otherwise leave the sport, as well as provide essential coaching support in community-based club programs.

Scope and Application

5. For individuals under the age of 16 enrolling in a CSCP workshop

Procedures:

6. The decision to set the minimum age for enrolling in an CSCP workshop at less than 16 is a Canada Snowboard and PTSA agency-specific decision based on the nature, circumstances, and demands of the sport in the Province or Territory.
7. If an individual wishes to enrol in a CSCP workshop they must contact their PTSA for approval.
 - a. The PTSA will communicate with the Coaching Program lead on any queries they need clarified.

Policy Details:

8. The minimum age for the designation for a coach as “Certified” is 16 years of age.
9. Persons younger than 16 and older than 14 may enrol in the Competition Introduction workshop providing:



- a) Individuals under 16 are not sanctioned to work with athletes without the supervision of a CSCP certified coach.
10. Individuals under the age of 14 will not have qualifications tracked in the Locker.