



New Hampshire Soccer Association
NHSA, USSF and NSCAA Coaching Schools



TO NH Coaches and Club Officials
FROM Jeffrey Cousineau – NHSA Director of Coaching Education
RE New Coaching Education Requirements
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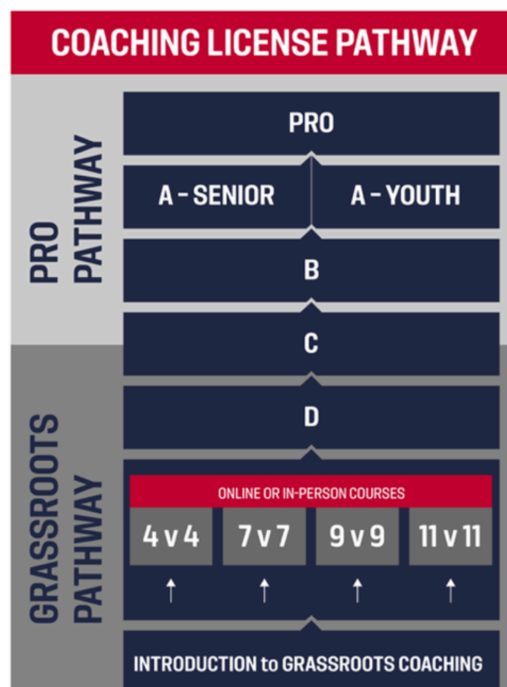
As noted in the open memo to the NHSA member organizations, club officials, coaches and player families, USSF has completed a restructuring of the coaching curriculum and coaching education pathway for its coaching courses. These changes have focused on the changing the playing environment for the players, the expectations of coaching candidates and the support USSF gives its member coaches.

With the new curriculum and coaching education pathway established by USSF, NHSA has simplified the coaching certification requirements for NH soccer coaches by having all coaching education requirements go through the USSF coaching courses. Coaches will be directed to take the Grassroots licenses (4v.4, 7v.7, 9v.9 and 11v.11) and the USSF D License.

NHSA has defined two (2) levels of coaches based on the level of the team he/she is coaching.

Competitive Level: *A coach working with a highly motivated team that wants to be challenged and players are looking to improve their technical and tactical abilities. This would apply to coaches of teams that are in NHSL Division I and NEP leagues.*

Travel & Recreational Level: *A coach working with teams that are playing for the 'love of the game'. These teams and players can be competitive, but are not in the top divisions of their respective leagues. This would apply to coaches of teams that are NHSL Division II or III, or recreational teams/leagues.*



NHSA COACHING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

AGE GROUP	COMPETITIVE LEVEL	TRAVEL & RECREATIONAL
U-6	USFF Grassroots 4v.4 License (online course)	USFF Grassroots 4v.4 License (online course)
U-8	USFF Grassroots 4v.4 License (online course)	USFF Grassroots 4v.4 License (online course)
U-10	USFF Grassroots 7v.7 License (in-person course)	USFF Grassroots 7v.7 License (online or in-person course)
U-12	USFF Grassroots 9v.9 License (online course)	USFF Grassroots 9v.9 License (online course)
U-14	USFF D License Prerequisite is the GR 11v.11 in-person	USFF Grassroots 11v.11 License (in-person course)
U-15 and older	USFF C License or USFF D License	USFF Grassroots 11v.11 License (in-person course)