

Special Olympics North Carolina

Coach Education – Certification Pathway



Sport Assistant

- ☐ Volunteer Screening Form *(A background check will automatically run every 3 years)*
- ☐ Protective Behaviors *(Renewal: Every 3 years)*
- ☐ SONC General Orientation AND Quiz
- ☐ Concussion Training *(Renewal: Every 3 years)*



Level 1



Level 2 (Assistant Coach)



Level 3 (Head Coach)

Not Sport Specific.

- ☐ Complete each requirement above.
- ☐ Coaching Special Olympics Athletes Course (LMS version or SONC led course)

Level 1 Requirements plus:

- ☐ Online sport-specific training

Level 2 Requirements plus:

- ☐ In-person sport-specific training
- ☐ 10 Practicum Hours
 - (Coaching athletes in the sport reported by local program coordinator)

Email your [local program coordinator](#) to get started, and to request upcoming virtual and in-person training dates / locations for sport-specific training schools and the Coaching Special Olympics Athletes Course.

Attainment of Level 3 certification is required for coaches seeking to participate in out-of-state sponsored events (USA Games, World Games, etc.). Additional requirements may also apply for these events.