



Dunboyne Tennis Club

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Coach Education & Training Policy

Dunboyne Tennis Club is intent on ensuring that coaching of the highest standard is available to its members. In this regard, the adequate training of coaches and their engagement in relevant professional education and development programmes on a continual basis are key prerequisites. The Club will be guided by Tennis Ireland whose recruitment policy states that all coaches should be Tennis Ireland licensed. Please note that the Coach Licensing Scheme runs on an annual basis, a license being valid from 1st January to 31st December of the year in question.

Coach Licensing Scheme 2023

In order to be eligible for a coaching license in 2023, a coach must satisfy the following four criteria:

1. *Continuous Professional Development (CPD) Points*

Amass a minimum of 100 points under the regulations of Tennis Coach Ireland's (TCI) Continuous Professional Development Programme for 2022.

2. *Child Safeguarding Certification*

Have completed the necessary Child Safeguarding training courses. From 2020, Safeguarding certificates granted to coaches are valid for 3 years and can be extended by a further 3 years under the Sport Ireland/Sport Northern Ireland online refresher course. Coaches who have a Refresher Certificate, must also hold the original Safeguarding Certificate.

For Example, if a Safeguarding certificate is dated 2018, a refresher certificate needs to be dated 2021 to extend it to 2024, after which the full Safeguarding 1 course must be completed again (i.e. before the expiry date of the original Certificate).

All Safeguarding courses must be completed through Sport Ireland (run by Local Sports Partnerships). From 2022 onwards, no other Safeguarding training will be accepted.

3. *Garda Vetting/Access NI*

Provide evidence of having been vetted within the previous 3 years; Garda Vetting or Access NI as appropriate. Applications completed before 2020 are no longer valid.

4. *Registration with Tennis Ireland*

Be registered with Tennis Ireland by paying the €20.00 Coach License fee at time of application.

Under this Coach Education and Training policy, Dunboyne Tennis Club will ensure that the above criteria continue to be met by its coaches by requesting evidence of licensing, Garda Vetting Disclosure and Safeguarding documentation, including their validity for the calendar year in question.



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Continuous Professional Development Programme

Tennis Coach Ireland (TCI) works in conjunction with Tennis Ireland on the coach Continuous Development Programme (CPD). The Club understands that all TCI members are informed of the programme and how it operates, and of ongoing CPD opportunities.

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