



# Continuing Education Framework

## U.S. Ski & Snowboard Sport Education

### OVERVIEW

All U.S. Ski & Snowboard Coach Members are required to obtain (10) continuing education credits each year in order to maintain an “Active” Coach Certification status, where 1 credit is equal to 30 minutes of educational activity, for a total of 5 hours annually.

Please note that this credit per hour value is a general rule and that there will be exceptions. The hard requirement is 10 credits, which will not always be perfectly equal to 5 hours depending on the coach’s rate of progress through a given learning opportunity and/or depending on the learning opportunity itself.

Obtaining a new level of Coach Certification satisfies the CE requirement for the season during which it is completed.

Coaches must be current U.S. Ski & Snowboard Coach Members and hold a current Gold subscription to the Sport Education Academy in order to receive these credits.

The countdown for continuing education credit submission begins on the day a coach enrolls in the Sport Education Academy for a given season, at which point they have until April 30th of that season to obtain their required credits.

U.S. Ski & Snowboard Coach Members may choose to pursue their continuing education through our Sport Education offerings, or they may choose to pursue external continuing education.

If a Coach pursues continuing education outside of U.S. Ski & Snowboard, they will be required to provide the following information in order to receive credit:

- Name & location of the learning opportunity
- Hosting organization
- Number of hours spent learning/participating
- Name of person who led the learning opportunity (teacher/trainer/facilitator)
- Proof of completion of the learning opportunity (proof of purchase alone will NOT suffice)

Example:

*PSIA IM Spring Clinic: Freestyle Outside to Inside (Snowboard and Alpine), 6 hours, led by [NAME] at Brian Head Resort, UT*

Please refer to the list below to determine which programs will qualify.



## **CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES**

### Sport Education Academy

- ★ Online courses & modules
- ★ Conference, Webinar, & Speaker Series - live & recorded sessions
- ★ Obtain higher level of certification

### U.S. Ski & Snowboard - General

- ★ Officials Education
- ★ Congress
- ★ Sport Committee

### External Sport Organizations

- ★ PSIA/AASI
- ★ USOPC
- ★ International ski and snowboard NGBs
- ★ Other sport NGBs
- ★ Human Kinetics
- ★ NFHS

### External Educational Organizations

- ★ College/University courses in the following topics:
  - Sports Medicine/Science
  - Sports/Recreation
  - Instruction/Teaching (as one might find in a degree in Education, for example)
- ★ Certification or accreditation courses in sport-related fields

## **HOW TO SUBMIT CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS**

Credits obtained by pursuing online education in the Sport Education Academy and participating in Sport Education Conferences, Webinars, and Speaker Series will automatically be added to a coach's profile in the SEA as well as to their U.S. Ski & Snowboard Membership Portal

Credits obtained through other means must be submitted to the Sport Education Department for approval. Submissions may be made via [this form](#). Proof of completion will be required, along with details about the learning opportunity.