



## CanTRA Coach

CanTRA has now implemented a fourth level of certification, designated CanTRA Coach. This is available to instructors having a CTRSI certification (completion of the Equine Canada (EC) Coach 1 – English or Western – plus the CanTRA portion). A CanTRA Coach certificate will be granted to instructors after completion of a set of tasks which they will be required to accomplish within a maximum 3-year period. Five years experience for a part-time CTRSI and 3 years if full time.

The CTRSI level that is granted by passing the Provincial Basic Instructor level (and the CanTRA exam) will not be eligible for the CanTRA Coach certification. CanTRA Coach will only be granted to those with an EC Coach 1 certificate (English or Western) or International Certification Passport.

### CanTRA Coach Tasks

#### Mandatory:

- Select and train therapeutic riding horses
- Arrange team work with specialists
- Train potential CanTRA CTRBI's, CTRII's and CTRSI's (organizing training clinics and teaching training)
- Organize updating lectures for your program
- Interview, or assist with the interviews, of prospective riders
- Attend updating clinics locally, nationally (internationally). Updating hours for Coaches are 20 hours every 3 years.
- Additional technical skills: 1 or more of the following: (a) longreining horse and rider for Hippotherapy; (b) driving for persons with a disability; (c) remedial educational voltage
- Organize competitions, games days (locally and/or provincially)
- Take an active part in your Provincial or National Therapeutic Riding Association
- Serve as an ambassador for CanTRA's aims and objectives

#### Optional:

- Participate in the administration of a therapeutic riding program.
- Coach candidates who have not had the opportunity to participate in the administration of a program should present proof of their level of involvement at their centre.
- Assist new centres to set up their program (this can include on-site training).
- Further your education by taking additional courses, e.g. sign language, Communication/ Rehabilitation with persons with sight impairment or other courses given by a community college or university. Provide outline of course.
- Act as a Mentor for Rider Levels 1 and 2.
- Achieve the EC Coach 2 certificate.
- Advanced First Aid certificate.

A CanTRA Coach Task Completion form can be obtained from the CanTRA office and completion of all tasks should be signed by the Program Co-ordinator or Board Member (or a CanTRA Examiner if other not possible).

Enquiries can be directed to the CanTRA office, for the attention of the Certification Committee.

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## CanTRA Coach Task Completion Form

### A. PRE-REQUISITES

Please attach documentation for the following pre-requisites:

- CTRSI\*
- EC Coach 1
- Five years experience as a part-time CTRSI or
- Three years experience as a full-time CTRSI
- All CanTRA Coach completion tasks must be accomplished within a maximum three-year period
- **(indicate dates on experience submission)**

\*Those CTRSI's with Provincial Basic Instructor will not be eligible for the CanTRA Coach certification. CanTRA Coach will only be granted to those with an EC Coach 1 certificate (English or Western) or International Certification Passport.

### B. MANDATORY TASKS (must be completed within a 3-year period). Please indicate activity dates on your experience submission.

1. Select and train therapeutic riding horses.
  
2. Arrange team work with specialists.
  
3. Train potential CTRBI's, CTRII's and CTRSI's (organizing training clinics and teaching training).
  
4. Organize updating lectures for your program.
  
5. Interview, or assist with the interviews, of prospective riders.
  
6. Attend updating clinics locally, nationally (internationally).
  
7. Additional technical skills, including one or more of the following:
  - a) longreining horse and rider for Hippotherapy
  - b) driving for people with a disability
  - c) remedial educational voltage

8. Organize competitions, games days (locally and/or provincially).
  
9. Take an active part in your Provincial or National Therapeutic Riding Association.

**C. OPTIONAL**

Please submit a detailed description (where appropriate)

1. Participate in the administration of a therapeutic riding program. (Coach candidates who have not had the opportunity to participate in the administration of a program should present proof of their level of involvement at their centre).
  
2. Assist new centres to set up their program (this can include on-site training).
  
3. Further your education by taking additional courses, e.g. sign language, communication / rehabilitation with persons with sight impairment or other courses given by a community college or university. Provide outline of course.
  
4. Act as a mentor for Rider Levels 1 and 2.
  
5. Achieve the EC Coach 2 certificate.
  
6. Advance First Aid certificate.

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Signature of Applicant

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Signature of Program Co-ordinator\*

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Date

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Date

\*A CanTRA Examiner may verify the candidate's experience if a programme co-ordinator is not possible.