

Coach Developer (CD) | Role Description

The purpose of this role is to lead and support clubs/schools to create a positive and supportive coaching culture. The Coach Developer will be responsible for the provision of coach development opportunities to coaches within the defined club/school. They will work collaboratively with other members of the Games Development structure within the County and other Coach Developers to clubs/support schools to deliver key actions from their Games Development plan.

Objectives:

1. To train members as coaches within the Gaelic Games family, according to the relevant Gaelic Games family syllabus/Coach Education programme (as agreed with Sport Ireland Coaching).
2. To support coaches during and after formal coach education programmes in non-formal environments

Pre-requisite qualifications:

- All CDs will have been coaching for at least 3 years and hold a Level 1/Award 1 or above coaching qualification.
- All CDs will have been nominated and approved by their respective province.

Key Responsibilities:

1. Coach Development

Liaise with selected Clubs/schools to determine what coach development support is needed. In collaboration with the County Coach Development Manager and other Coach Developers:

- Organise, facilitate, and deliver learning opportunities outlined in the Gaelic Games Coach Learning Space to coaches that can include but not be limited to:
- Ensure that coach development aligns with the Gaelic Games family Player Pathway philosophy and values
- Develop and communicate available resources, tools, and best practice templates for coaches.
- Through development opportunities create links and encourage clubs/schools to collaborate and share ideas and resources so all units can benefit.
- Provide quality assurance on Gaelic Games family delivery sessions where required
- Support, advise and mentor coaches in their development, when required to do so.
- Attend and contribute to training and standardisation meetings, workshops and other update events as required.

2. Systems, Processes and Reporting

- Encourage and support clubs/schools to identify and implement good practice in the areas of coach recruitment, induction, recognition, development, communication, review, and retention
- Collect data from coach development sessions for TOBAR (Gaelic Games family Learning Management system)

Coach Developers should successfully complete at least one CD CPD workshop in a three-year cycle