



Guide to Credentialing

CHOOSING AN ICF CREDENTIAL AND APPLICATION PATH

For full requirements, visit coachfederation.org/credential.

The Associate Certified Coach (ACC) Credential is for the *practiced* coach.

There are three application paths to choose from.

Review the requirements to determine which application best fits your training.

ACC ACTP Path

- Completion of an entire ICF Accredited Coach Training Program (ACTP).**

Check for your program's approval at icf.to/tpss.

- Coaching log demonstrating **100 hours (75 paid) of coaching experience** with at least 8 clients.

- Complete the **Coach Knowledge Assessment (CKA)**.

View sample questions at icf.to/ckasample.



ICF Members: \$100 USD
Non-members: \$300 USD

Additional fee applies if you need to take the CKA more than once.



4 Weeks

ACC ACSTH Path

- At least **60 hours of coach-specific training through an ACTP or ACSTH program.**

Check for your program's approval at icf.to/tpss.

- 10 hours of Mentor Coaching.**

- Coaching log demonstrating **100 hours (75 paid) of coaching experience** with at least 8 clients.

- Complete the **Coach Knowledge Assessment (CKA)**.

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ICF Members: \$300 USD
Non-members: \$500 USD

Additional fee applies if you need to take the CKA more than once.



4 Weeks

ACC Portfolio Path

- At least **60 hours of coach-specific training** with robust documentation.

- 10 hours of Mentor Coaching.**

- Coaching Log demonstrating **100 hours (75 paid) of coaching experience** with at least 8 clients.

- Performance Evaluation** (audio recording and written transcript of coaching session).

- Complete the **Coach Knowledge Assessment (CKA)**.

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ICF Members: \$400 USD
Non-members: \$600 USD

Additional fee applies if you need to take the CKA or performance evaluation more than once.



14 Weeks

The Professional Certified Coach (PCC) Credential is for the *proven* coach.

There are three application paths to choose from.

Review the requirements to determine which application best fits your training.

PCC ACTP Path

- Completion of an entire ICF Accredited Coach Training Program (ACTP).**
Check for your program's approval at icf.to/tpss.
- Coaching log demonstrating **750 hours (675 paid) of coaching experience** with at least 25 clients.
- Complete the **Coach Knowledge Assessment (CKA)** unless previously passed when applying for ACC.
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ICF Members: \$300 USD
Non-members: \$500 USD

Additional fee applies if you need to take the CKA more than once.



4 Weeks

PCC ACSTH Path

- At least **125 hours of coach-specific training through an ACTP or ACSTH program.**
Check for your program's approval at icf.to/tpss.
- 10 hours of Mentor Coaching.**
- Coaching log demonstrating **750 hours (675 paid) of coaching experience** with at least 25 clients.
- Performance Evaluation** (two audio recordings and written transcripts of coaching sessions).
- Complete the **Coach Knowledge Assessment (CKA)** unless previously passed when applying for ACC.
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ICF Members: \$575 USD
Non-members: \$775 USD

Additional fee applies if you need to take the CKA or performance evaluation more than once.



18 Weeks

PCC Portfolio Path

- At least **125 hours of coach-specific training** with robust documentation.
- 10 hours of Mentor Coaching.**
- Coaching log demonstrating **750 hours (675 paid) of coaching experience** with at least 25 clients.
- Performance Evaluation** (two audio recordings and written transcripts of coaching sessions).
- Complete the **Coach Knowledge Assessment (CKA)** unless previously passed when applying for ACC.
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ICF Members: \$675 USD
Non-members: \$875 USD

Additional fee applies if you need to take the CKA or performance evaluation more than once.



18 Weeks



The Master Certified Coach (MCC) Credential is for the *expert* coach.

MCC Application Requirements

- 200 hours of coach-specific training.**
- 10 hours of Mentor Coaching.**
- Coaching log demonstrating **2,500 hours (2,250 paid) of coaching experience** with at least 35 clients.
- Performance Evaluation** (two audio recordings and written transcripts of coaching sessions).
- Complete the **Coach Knowledge Assessment (CKA)** unless previously passed when applying for ACC or PCC.

View sample questions at icf.to/ckasample.



ICF Members: \$575 USD
Non-members: \$775 USD

Additional fee applies if you need to take the CKA or performance evaluation more than once.



18 Weeks

The MCC Credential may be renewed after three years.
Current renewal requirements include 40 CCE Units.