

MYSA WAIVER GUIDELINES

One of the reasons that the practice is discouraged is that the D License is the first license to be a pass/fail situation, so it is sometimes good to have that experience practice coaching in front of your peers in the E for those coaches that do not have that much experience. If you have many years experience coaching and meet the criteria below, it would be good to put a soccer resume together for your application as the waiver guidelines suggest.

Also there is the opportunity to go to the E License for experience and then the D without waiting a year if you meet the criteria and your resume allows you passage to the D License.

Hope that helps and I see you on the field soon.

Ric Plante

MYSA State Director of Coaching

MYSA WAIVER PROCEDURES

Candidates who wish to attend higher level courses such as the "D" may do so through the waiver process. This provides coaches with extensive soccer experience, coaching and playing, to move on to higher-level courses without going through lower level courses to meet prerequisites.

Waivers are not generally accepted. The only consideration for a waiver will be the candidate's ability to provide verification of prior experience and practical knowledge of the coaching methodology at the E course level.

CRITERIA:

The following factors will be considered:

- **COACHING CERTIFICATION:** Attendance at other formal courses. Candidates must provide copies of all Licenses/Diplomas awarded. Relevant courses include but are not limited to MYSA, NSCAA, ACEP, AYSO, UEFA and other Foreign Soccer Federation Courses. These certificates MUST be held for a minimum of 12 months.
- **RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL TRAINING/CERTIFICATION:** This includes but not limited to Kinesiology Degrees, Sport Science Professional background, and Teacher Certification. Candidates must provide a copy of Diploma/Certification.
- **COLLEGE/PROFESSIONAL PLAYING EXPERIENCE:** Confirmation that the Candidate has played in a formal teaching environment for an experienced coach who may be familiar with US Soccer methodology. The recommended level of college or professional playing experience is 4 years.

- **PRACTICAL COACHING EXPERIENCE:** Candidates must have at least 3 years experience in the U11 - U19 Competitive programs.

WAIVER REQUEST PROCEDURE:

- The candidate must complete the MYSA waiver application.
- Provide copies of all relevant Licenses, Diplomas, and Certifications.
- Provide a Soccer Resume including **PLAYING AND COACHING** experience.
- If all relevant documents do not accompany the waiver application, the application will be denied, and the candidate will forfeit their application fee. The waiver application can be submitted by mail. Please send all documentation to:

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- The application will be reviewed by the MYSA Technical Director. The candidate and the host affiliate will be notified of the final decision.
- Please include a twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) non-refundable processing fee. Make checks payable to **MYSA**. Waiver requests will not be reviewed without payment.

A WAIVER IS NOT THE GRANTING OF A LICENSE, IT MERELY ALLOWS THE CANDIDATE TO BEGIN THE COACHING EDUCATION PROCESS AT A HIGHER LEVEL.

PROCEDURES FOR THE A, B, C AND YOUTH LICENSES MAY BE FOUND HERE:

<http://www.oksoccer.com/docs/Coaches/requirementsforussfcoachingbadges.pdf>

FORM MAY BE FOUND HERE:

http://images.ussoccer.com/Documents/cms/ussf/Coaching_School_Waiver_Application.pdf