

CONTINUOUS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME 2024

ABOUT THE CPD PROGRAMME

As you know, in common with many other professions TCI runs a Continuous Professional Development Programme. In order to avail of our group Public Liability Insurance Scheme for 2025, at a very attractive premium, a member is asked to amass 100 CPD points during 2024. Points are gained by attending workshops, seminars and conferences (including our own National Conference).

Members who do not gain 100 points during the period up to December 1st 2024 will still be able to insure themselves for Public Liability in 2025 through TCI, but at an increased premium.

TENNIS IRELAND COACH LICENSING SCHEME

Coaches also need to factor in the importance of CPD points within the Tennis Ireland Licensing Scheme, where in order to be registered as a `Licensed Coach` in 2025, a coach will need to achieve 100 points under the CPD 2024 scheme. A full explanation of the licensing programme is at

<https://www.tennisireland.ie/coaches/coaches-licensing/>.

THE 2024 CPD SCHEME

The system for 2024 will operate as follows:

- The TCI National Conference will be worth 100 points. In order to be credited with the 100 points, delegates will need to sign in before the Conference commences, and sign out at the end of the Conference.
- Most other events will be worth 4,10, 15 or 20 points, so a coach can gain points by attending a number of such events either on court or online.
- Safe Guarding is now part of our CPD Programme. As Safe Guarding lasts for 3 years you can be credited with 20 CPD points once in any three-year period. If you are within an active SG period you cannot avail of these points until your next renewal. Safe Guarding 1 courses are available from your local sports partnership a simple google search will bring up several course options.
- Sports First Aid is now part of our CPD Programme. To be eligible for CPD points, the course duration must be a minimum of one day, and the course content must contain AED and CPR. You can be credited with 20 CPD points once in any two-year period as certification for Sports First Aid lasts two years.
- Please note that points are only credited on successful completion of the course .
- With reference to Tennis Ireland Coach Qualification courses, this means that CPD points will be allocated after the candidate has completed the course **and** the assessment process.

COURSES/EVENTS WORTH 100 CPD POINTS

1. Each of the Tennis Ireland `Expert Programmes` - See <https://www.tennisireland.ie/?s=expert>
2. Tennis Ireland `Director of Tennis Programme` - See <https://www.tennisireland.ie/coaches/director-of-tennis/>.

ONLINE COURSES WORTH 20 CPD POINTS

1. Andy Nibbs 'Coaching kids for self belief' See

<http://coachingkids4selfbelief.com/services-packages/child-centred-coaching-course/>.

ONLINE COURSE WORTH 4 CPD POINTS

ITF Coach Academy Courses (short 20 Minute courses on variety of subjects)

<https://www.itf-academy.com>

OTHER OPTIONS FOR GAINING POINTS IN 2024

For 2024, the Continuous Professional Development Programme will continue to embrace courses/seminars/workshops organised by other bodies, and points under CPD can be given to members who attend these courses. For example if a member attends a course on marketing, or computers, which the coach feels will be useful in their tennis coaching business, he or she can register with TCI to have attendance considered in terms of allocation of CPD points. Any such course may be ratified for 10, 15 or 20 CPD points depending on TCI's assessment of the quality of the event, based on the information you provide in advance.

- *If you are attending a course that you would like to have considered for CPD points, please contact Peter Farrell or Nicki Herbert at least one week before attending the course/event. If you do not make contact **IN ADVANCE** of the course, no CPD points will be credited for attendance.*

SELF-NOMINATED CPD OPPORTUNITIES

On request TCI will examine and potentially ratify for CPD points events that are self-nominated by a coach. This service is free for TCI members. For non-members there may a fee payable to TCI off €20 per course assessed.

Other 20 Point Options Include:

1. TCI Provincial Workshops (spring/early summer). Full details will be circulated as soon as they are available.
2. Write an article to be published by TCI (Level 3 and 4 coaches). Please contact Peter Farrell for details.
3. Sign up for our Mentoring Programme.

NOTES

- TCI will add to the list above during 2024. Any events not mentioned here will be notified to members as they arise.
- Please note that all coaches should have secured 100 points by December 1st 2024 .
- Any queries or documents relating to the Tennis Ireland Licensing Scheme should **not be** sent to TCI, but to the Tennis Ireland office - coachlicensing@tennisireland.ie.

CONCLUSION

TCI is committed to serving its members to the best of its ability, while seeking to provide opportunities for all coaches to keep up to date with the latest developments in the game.

Yours sincerely,

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