

## Goaltender Development Coordinator



During the USA Hockey Winter meetings, the Goaltending Development Committee introduced the concept of District/Affiliate Development Coordinators who would support goaltending coaching and development efforts in their area. The concept was met with overwhelming excitement from many affiliate members and leaders. USA Hockey is going to move forward with this program, below are answers to some of the questions that arose.

**If we want a Goaltending Development Coordinator for our affiliate can we get one?** Yes! Affiliates that recognize the benefit of a Goaltending Development Coordinator who would be trained and supported by USA Hockey need to fill out this form and return it to Phil Osaer ([Phil.Osaer@usahockey.org](mailto:Phil.Osaer@usahockey.org)) by March 1<sup>st</sup> 2016).

**Will the training will be available on-line?** Yes and no. Initial and annual training and collaboration will be held in conjunction with the Warren Strelow National Goaltending Camp at the USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth, Michigan. This year's training and collaboration is May 13-15, 2016. There will be an on-line component of continuing education and collaboration that will be held via webinars throughout the summer and playing season.

**How is the affiliate Goaltending Development Coordinator chosen?** USA Hockey is requesting affiliates to nominate three candidates for the position; USA Hockey will then choose the Goaltending Development Coordinator. Development Coordinators will have a 5 year maximum term limit. Six months prior to stepping down, Development Coordinators will nominate the next three candidates. From those nominations USA Hockey's Goaltending Development staff will choose the next coordinator from each affiliate.

**What training will the coordinator receive?** Annual training and collaboration will cover, among other things, the following topics: On-ice coaching, goaltender off-ice training methods, preparation habits, coaching the mental game, long term athlete developments, developing hockey sense for goaltenders, association correspondence and scheduling, grass roots initiatives, non-goalie coach collaboration, video analysis, goaltender injury prevention, running association goalie clinics, season development planning, goalie equipment, parent communication and education. Continuing education webinars will each have different topic and will focus on the evolution of the position and coaching methods to ensure the United States becomes and stays the best in the world at goaltender development.

**Who do we talk to about program financing?** Ron DeGregorio is the point of contact on financing questions. ([Rond33@hotmail.com](mailto:Rond33@hotmail.com)) The Goaltending Development Coordinator in each participating affiliate will receive an annual stipend of \$2,500.00 as well as a travel budget of \$2,500.00. Although the training, webinar, and other support elements will be provided with USA Hockey financing, the stipend and travel budget will be the responsibility of the affiliates.

**How will the program be monitored?** Each development coordinator will send quarterly reports on activities and progress within their affiliates to Affiliate Presidents and USA Hockey's goaltending Development personnel. The program will be reviewed and reported on briefly at affiliate presidents meetings during annual congress and winter meetings.

**What is the end goal of this program?** The goal of this program is twofold; 1. Develop and maintain great goaltending coaches nationwide at every level for every team. 2. In 2023, American goalies account for a minimum of 70% of NCAA and Tier 1 Junior goaltender minutes played in the United States and in 2030 a minimum of 51% of NHL, NWHL goaltender minutes played. In addition, it is goal of this program to support and train goalie coaches who aspire to coach at the highest levels.

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### Affiliate Goaltending Development Coordinators Job Description

- Commit to approximately 5-6 days or evenings monthly during the season to focus affiliate goaltending development.
- Work with club and association goalie coaches on improving goaltending development. Focus on head coach and assistant coach integration at team practices and goalie sessions.
- Train and assist association goalie coaches on season planning and goalie clinic structure and organization.
- Provide support and facilitate grass roots programs (Try Goalie Days, Association Coaching Coaches Clinics).
- Assist District Coach-In-Chiefs in all facets of the Coach Education Program as it pertains to goaltending.
- Create and maintain a database of area Tier 1, Tier 2, and high school goalies and coaches.
- Compile age specific rankings of elite affiliate goaltenders and submit to USA Hockey Goaltending Staff.
- Attend Warren Strelow National Goaltending Camp at the USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth, Michigan every May.
- Be willing to collaborate with other goalie coaches to continue professional development.
- Remain focused on the principles of long term athlete development.
- Work with the goal in mind that by the 2022-2023 season Americans account for of 70% of NCAA and Tier 1 Junior goalie minutes played and by 2030, 51% of NHL and NWHL goaltender minutes played.
- Coordinator term is limited to 5 years. Coordinators will be responsible to nominate and assist their successors.

Please contact Phil Osaer at [Phil.Osaer@usahockey.org](mailto:Phil.Osaer@usahockey.org) or 517-881-5201 with any questions or assistance on recommendations.

Recommendations need to be submitted by March 1<sup>st</sup> 2016.

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Affiliate Goaltender Development Coordinator Recommendation Form

Affiliate: \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliate President: \_\_\_\_\_

Development Coordinator Recommendations:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Home City: \_\_\_\_\_

**Brief Explanation of why this person is being recommended.**


Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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