



Job Description

Role:

- **U9 Head Coach**

Responsibilities:

- Serve as the official spokesperson of the team
- Be a positive role model that consistently demonstrates, promotes and encourages the highest standard of behavior
- Create and implement a team building plan
- Make the rink and all team events a safe, positive and fun experience for all athletes
- Create a team culture that promotes the concepts of transformational coaching by putting as much emphasis on relationships as you do on the technical and tactical side of the game
- Plan on and off-ice activities in consultation with the assistant coaches
- Mentor your assistant coaches and empower them to be able to lead
 - Where possible, create practice and game plans with assistant coaches
 - Involve your assistant coaches in the delivery of practices and games, make roles and responsibilities clear (e.g. KTPs/KEPs of station they are leading, running a gate)
- Coordinate the delegation of responsibilities to the assistant coaches and manager
- Establish rules/expectations for the team and oversee the supervision of play
- Clearly establish your expectations and process for parent communication
- Coach the team in all games and practices, confirm coverage if unable to attend
- Plan, implement and oversee pre-game preparation and communication with the team
- If introducing the full-ice game to players in the latter half of the season, educate all players on the new playing rules and differences from half-ice hockey
- Create/provide a goalie development plan (e.g. season rotation), designate a coach to be the direct link to goalies
- Coordinate player evaluation and selection in conjunction with the Association
- Submit a year-end report which contains the following information:
 - player performance evaluations, evaluation of team's performance, outline of practice plans & game strategy, recommendations on how to improve the program
- Use [Hockey Canada's U9 Player Pathway](#) and the percentage breakdown of technical skills, individual tactics, team tactics, team play and strategy noted in the diagram below to focus the team's on-ice development plan:





Job Description

Role:

- **U9 Assistant Coach**

Reports to:

- **Head Coach**

Responsibilities:

- Accept roles & responsibilities as communicated by the head coach
- Be a positive role model that demonstrates the highest standards of behavior at all times
- Embrace the identity & vision the team establishes, and reinforce it to the players all season
- Help create an environment for players in which they develop both hockey skills and character
- Assist with player evaluation and player selection processes
- Assist with the supervision of players off and on the ice
- Assist with planning, organizing, and conducting practices
- Take initiative in supporting the delivery of the Head Coach's teaching points in practice
- Communicate and provide feedback to players during drills while the Head Coach is managing the drill
- Assist with the formulation of the game plan
- Assist with pre-game preparation
- Assist with scouting and evaluation of opponents
- Assist with team operations during games
- Submit a year end report to the head coach that includes player observations