



JOB POSTING

The Richmond Olympic Oval & Speed Skating Canada are seeking a Short Track Coach/Regional Development Mentor

Built for the Games. Designed for Legacy. The Richmond Olympic Oval (ROO) is a breathtaking venue on the banks of the Fraser River and winner of the Institution of Structural Engineers top award for Sports or Leisure Structures. Home to long track speed skating during the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games, the Oval offers an inspiring environment for all ages and skill levels to progress towards their own personal podiums.

Speed Skating Canada (SSC) is the national governing body responsible for the advancement and growth of speed skating in Canada. Its core purpose is to support high performance excellence at the international level and provide leadership in developmental programs. With more than 150 skating clubs in 13 provinces & territories, Speed Skating Canada is dedicated to providing skating programs for every skill level in Canada.

General description of the position

Under the direction of the Richmond Olympic Oval Corporation, the Short Track Coach/SSC Regional Development Mentor is a technical leader for the development of a short track speed skating legacy program in Richmond. While the program will be based out of the Richmond Olympic Oval, the intention is to provide enhanced developmental opportunities for athletes in Metro Vancouver and British Columbia. In a coaching capacity, the successful candidate will be responsible for the development of a high quality training environment and a recruitment of skaters for Training to Train/Learning to Compete program. As the senior technical leader for short track speed skating within the ROO the coach will be responsible for the development of a talent recruitment and identification in coordination with overall SSC, Own The Podium and Canadian Sports Centre initiatives as well as the training and supervision of ROO speed skating instructors delivering first contact and accelerated speed skating development programs.

In the capacity of a Regional Development Mentor the ROO Coach & SSC Regional Development Mentor will directly contribute to the development coaches within Western Canada and support the implementation of SSC's Long Term Participant and Athlete Development (LTPAD) Model by offering direct mentorship to targeted coaches and serving as expert resource to support to Provincial/Territorial Branches and Clubs. These functions will be exercised by leading professional development activities and serving as a facilitator/expert advisor on technical matters when requested by club and branch boards of directors and committees. The Regional Development Mentor will also be expected to be an active contributor to the on-going renewal, development and delivery of NCCP curriculum.

The ideal candidate will be passionate about speed skating, have excellent leadership abilities and presentation skills and be able to work with limited direction. He/she should have successful track record of designing and implementing sports programs and coaching athletes through the Training to Train, Learning to Compete and Training to Compete stages of development and fully understand what is necessary for athletes to be successful in the Learning and Training to Win stages of development.

In addition, the candidate should possess the following skills and qualifications:

- Strong understanding of the principles Long Term Participant and Athlete Development (LTPAD)
- Demonstrated knowledge of speed skating and the various aspects of the sport
- Demonstrated knowledge and experience in building sport programs
- Keen sense of leadership, initiative, communication and organization



- Team player
- Available evenings and weekends (as required)
- Level 3 NCCP Certification or equivalent with desire to pursue NCI Diploma
- A university degree in kinesiology, coaching, physical education and/or a related field or equivalent experience
- English required – Skills in other languages including Mandarin, Korean and French are considered assets, as are qualifications as an NCCP Learning Facilitator

The Richmond Olympic Oval offers a dynamic and exciting work culture with a competitive salary and benefit package to the successful candidate. We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Please forward all resumes to jobs@richmondoval.ca by **November 19, 2012**.

For more information about the position please contact Gerry De Cicco (gdecicco@richmondoval.ca) with the Richmond Olympic Oval or Douglas Duncan (dduncan@speedskating.ca) with Speed Skating Canada.