


ICF Minimum Requirements: ACC Credential

Certification Guidelines

Associate Certified Coach (ACC)

Our Coaching for Performance: Coach Certification Pathway is a 63-hour coach training programme approved by the International Coach Federation (ICF) which prepares you for ACC certification via the ACSTH Path. Individually, Level 1 (21 hours) or Level 2 (42 hours) can be combined with other ICF-aligned coach-specific training for a Portfolio Path application. See table for details of the ICF's minimum requirements for both application paths.

Application pathway	ACC ACSTH Path	ACC Portfolio Path
Training	60 coach-specific training hours (including up to 12 homework hours) ✓ Coaching for Performance: Coach Certification Pathway (in person or distance learning) 	✓ Coaching for Performance, Level 1 or Level 2 plus other ICF-aligned coach-specific training attended in appropriate sequence for growth of coach
Mentor coaching	10 hours with a qualified Mentor Coach over a minimum of 3 months	
Coaching experience	100 hours (75 paid hours; 8 clients) after starting coach-specific training; at least 25 hours within the 18 months prior to application	
Performance evaluation	1 recorded coaching session and transcript (ICF assessment based on ACC Minimum Skill Requirements)	
Knowledge assessment	Multiple-choice questions (online test)	
ICF application fee member/non-member	US\$300/US\$500	US\$400/US\$600
Estimated review time	4 weeks	14 weeks
Credential renewal	3 years; 30 hours Continuing Coach Education (CCE); 10 hours Mentor Coaching	