

ICF Credentialing Changes Spring 2018

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Overview

- On February 15, 2018, **ICF announced several changes affecting initial application and renewal of ICF credentials.**
- These changes **ensure consistency, fairness and alignment** with ICF coaching standards.
- This summary is **not an official document** and was created simply to provide an overview of the changes. Please visit www.coachfederation.org for official information and direct specific questions to support@coachfederation.org.

For the full text of the announcement from ICF, visit: <https://coachfederation.org/icf-announces-changes-credentialing-accreditation-policies/>

Changes affecting ALL credential renewals

(effective immediately for credentials expiring 12/31/18 or later)

- **No more than 10 hours of Mentor Coaching*** (delivering and/or receiving) may be counted toward Continuing Coach Education (CCE) requirements.
- **No more than 10 hours of Coaching Supervision (delivering and/or receiving)** may be counted toward Continuing Coach Education (CCE) requirements.
- **Please visit ICF's website** for definition of Mentor Coaching and/or Coaching Supervision: <https://coachfederation.org/icf-credential/professional-development/>

** Requirements to serve as a mentor coach have also changed. Please ensure that any mentor coach you select is familiar with and meets these new requirements.*

To learn more about ICF credential renewal requirements, visit:
<https://coachfederation.org/icf-credential/renew-credential/>

Changes affecting ACC renewals

(effective immediately for credentials expiring 12/31/18 or later)

Former Renewal Requirements

40 hours of Continuing Coach Education, with 20 hours in Core Competencies and 3 hours in Ethics

10 hours of mentor coaching (coaching for development of coaching skills)

New Renewal Requirements

30 hours of Continuing Coach Education, with 11 hours in Core Competencies and 3 hours in Ethics

10 hours of mentor coaching (coaching for development of coaching skills)

Notes:

- No more than 10 hours of mentor coaching (giving or receiving) can be counted toward continuing coach education.
- No more than 10 hours of coach supervision (giving or receiving) may be counter toward continuing coach education.
- **Requirements to serve as a mentor coach have changed.** Please ensure that any mentor coach you select is familiar with and meets these new requirements.

To learn more about ICF credential renewal requirements, visit:

<https://coachfederation.org/icf-credential/renew-credential/>

Changes affecting ACC applicants

(Effective July 31, 2018)

ACTP Path

- No Changes

ACSTH Path

- In addition to existing requirements, applicants must submit a recording and transcript of a live coaching session. Please visit [ICF's website for more information on the requirements for the live coaching session](#).

Portfolio Path

- In addition to existing requirements, the 60 hours of coach-specific education must be **“a comprehensive training program that includes the ICF definition of coaching, Code of Ethics and Core Competencies, and is organized in a scope and sequence that encourages the growth of the coach.”**

Note:

For more information on the differences in the application paths, visit:
<https://coachfederation.org/icf-credential/acc-paths/>

Changes affecting PCC applicants

(Effective July 31, 2018)

ACTP Path

- No Changes

ACSTH Path

- No Changes

Portfolio Path

- In addition to existing requirements, the 125 hours of coach-specific education must be “a comprehensive training program that includes the ICF definition of coaching, Code of Ethics and Core Competencies, and is organized in a scope and sequence that encourages the growth of the coach.”

Note:

For more information on the differences in the application paths, visit:

<https://coachfederation.org/icf-credential/pcc-paths/>

Changes affecting MCC applicants

(Note varying effective dates)

- **In addition to existing requirements:**
 - **EFFECTIVE JULY 31, 2018:**
 - The 2500 hours of client coaching must have been delivered after the start of the applicant's coach-specific training program. Coaching hours delivered before the applicant's coach-specific training program do not qualify toward the 2500 hour requirement.
 - **EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 28, 2019:**
 - MCC applicants must hold an ICF PCC credential.

Note:

For more information on MCC application requirements, visit:

<https://coachfederation.org/icf-credential/mcc-path/>