

# Group Coach to Coach Certificate Pathway



Group Coach would like to become an RDA Coach to deliver sessions in different groups and/or progress to Advanced.



The Group Coach must have completed modules, unless exempt through holding external qualifications: **Therapy and Medical** (must be delivered in conjunction with Regional/County Physio/Coach) **Horse Care + Knowledge** (delivered by Group Coach or above, Regional Vet or Regional Equine Advisor) **Coaching** (delivered by Group Coach or above). Dates can be found on MyRDA events or contact your Regional Coach to arrange.

If modules are completed face-to-face, they must be signed off by the trainer in the coach's passport. If the modules are completed or done partly via Zoom the coach will receive a certificate from the trainer to be kept in their passport and shown at assessment.



The Group Coach holds a valid safeguarding certificate (training available on events page of [myrda.org.uk](http://myrda.org.uk) or contact Regional Coach for Regional Training).



The Group Coach has completed Pre-Assessment checklist on the RDA e-learning portal.



The Group Coach must coach under supervision at two additional groups, which must be signed off in their passport by the supervising coach prior to coming forward for assessment. For support to find two additional groups the coach can contact their Regional Coach or use the 'Find a Group' tool on [www.rda.org.uk](http://www.rda.org.uk). If there is only one group within 60 miles of your home group, one of these sessions can be within your home group with riders you do not usually coach. If there are no groups within 60 miles contact RDA UK for an alternative method.



The Group Coach contacts Regional Coach to arrange assessment with an available assessor (County, Regional Coach or Coach Developer). The assessment will be discussed on the phone/zoom to ensure the coach is prepared, and that all the above steps have been completed. If a recent unsuccessful assessment is evidenced in their passport, this should be discussed with the previous assessor to ensure action points are raised.



Group Coach is assessed by an assessor (County, Regional Coach or Coach Developer). Their passport is checked for evidence of completion of modules and compliant elements as well as any external coaching, which has been done under supervision. The assessment will comprise of an individual session, a group session and an equine assessment and must take place away from their home venue. The Group Coach must achieve proficient in any four skill criteria in both the coaching assessments and the equine assessment. They must also be at the level required (competent) in all other essential and desirable skill criteria in order to successfully achieve Coach Certificate level, otherwise a further assessment may take place.



Assessor sends National Office the completed Coach assessment forms with details of the outcome.

National Office sends the coach their Coach Certificate and updates the database

The coach is now able to coach unsupervised and take sole responsibility for RDA sessions in any RDA group.

## Key – Activity led by

Coach

Group

Reg/County Coach or  
Coach Developer

National Office