

The Future of Coaching Education

Starting January 2018

U.S. Soccer Coaching License Pathway



Professional Pathway Pro License

A Senior A Youth

B License

C License

D (Development) License

Grassroots Licenses

Open Entry

4 ∨ 4 | ∋ 7

(in-person

and online)

(in-person and online)

g 9 v 9

(in-person and online)

11 V 11

(in person and online*)

*13U-14U only





Foundations of U.S. Soccer

USSF F-License



- Current Foundation of US Soccer Coaching Education
- Will be phased out in 2018





- No longer offered as of January 2018
- All current E-License holders WILL maintain their license

Grassroots Licenses

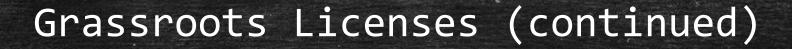


- Not a replacement for the E-License
- Designed for parent-coach and grassroots players
 - Environment vs. Instruction
- Presented in four, stand-alone modules
 - 4 V 4, 7 V 7, 9 V 9, 11 V 11
 - Face-to-Face; 4 hours
 - Online
- Play-Practice-Play Concept
- Requires age appropriate players when possible





- Cost is to be determined (varies depending upon host)
- High-volume, low-barrier course
 - Will be mandated for all 10U coaches and above by Fall 2018
- Will be organized through the USSF Digital Coaching Center
 - Will require a \$25 fee to USSF per registration
- State vs. Club Host
- Age appropriate players required





- More about people than teaching soccer
- Genuine commitment to letting the game be the teacher
- A new language...same message, just spoken a different way





Stage 1
Deliberate
Play

- Low-structured, small-sided games governed by players
- Enjoyment, Inclusion, Development
- Guidance, not instruction

Stage 2
Practice

- Technique, Team Tactical Principles, Key Qualities
- Player centered, frequent repetition, game-like
- Guided (not direct) instruction

Stage 3
Game

- 4 V 4
- 7 V 7
- · 9 V 9
- 11 V 11





- New Entry Criteria
 - Two (2) Grassroots in-person licenses (One must be the 11 v 11)
 - One online course
- Will follow the C, B, A format in terms of 11 v 11 soccer
- Will follow the Play-Learn-Play Principle
- Will include a practical evaluation
- Will be held over two (2) weekends, separated by a deliberate practice phase of 8-10 weeks

USSF C-License



- More accessible, no application process
- Lower numbers required to host





- Required for all instructional staff not currently teaching
- All expenses paid by USSF, except travel
- Must have a minimum of a B-License