



U17 Age Grade Provincial Rugby Assistant Coach

Location: Alberta

Reports To: Head Coach, Age Grade Provincial Team

Contract Type: 1 Year Volunteer

Start Date: March 2026

Position Summary

The Age Grade Provincial Rugby Assistant Coach supports the Head Coach in delivering a high-quality, developmentally appropriate program for provincial U17 age-grade athletes. This role contributes to the planning and execution of training, talent development, and competition preparation while helping foster a high-performance environment aligned with the provincial union's values and player pathway objectives.

Rugby Alberta is looking for two assistant coaches per team (one backs and one forwards)

The assistant coach **must be available** for the following dates (Additional training dates to follow):

- June 27 / 28 to attend the 2026 Alberta Regional Championships (ARCs) for selections
- Jul 10 – 12 OLDS Top 40 Camp, additional training dates to be confirmed
- End August for potential competition in Ontario

Key Responsibilities

Program Delivery & Coaching Support

- Assist in the planning and delivery of team training sessions, including technical, tactical, and skills-focused components.
- Provide individual coaching support to players in line with the team's development goals.
- Support in-game coaching, player feedback, and tactical adjustments under the direction of the Head Coach.

Player Development

- Help assess player performance and support Individual Development Plans (IDPs).
- Offer constructive, age-appropriate feedback to players and contribute to their long-term growth within the performance pathway.
- Build positive relationships with players, encouraging resilience, teamwork, and sportsmanship.

Stakeholder Engagement

- Collaborate with the Head Coach, manager, and parents/guardians to maintain clear and effective communication.
- Represent the provincial program professionally at all events, matches, and engagements.
- Engage with club, school, and regional coaches to help identify and support talented players.



Key Qualifications & Experience

Essential:

- World Rugby Level 2 Coaching Certification (trained or certified)
- Previous experience coaching youth players in a school, club, or regional environment.
- Understanding of age-appropriate coaching methods and athlete development principles.
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills.
- Vulnerable Sector Check
- Flexibility to travel
- Current concussion management and rugby ready certification

Desirable:

- Team building and group dynamics skills
- Dispute resolution and conflict management skills
- Excellent communication and creative problem-solving skills
- Clean driving license and access to a vehicle.

Key Attributes

- Team-first mindset with a collaborative approach.
- Strong attention to detail and commitment to player welfare.
- Eagerness to learn, grow, and support the broader goals of the program.
- Commitment to inclusion, respect, and ethical coaching standards.

Application Process

Interested candidates should complete the [google form](#) and attach a **resume and cover letter** outlining their coaching philosophy, experience, and vision for age-grade player development to info@rugbyalberta.com by February 14th 2026.