

## Coach/Athlete Freestyle Skill Context Guideline

## Statement regarding snowboard coaches scope of practice

The Canadian Snowboard Coaching Program (CSCP) uses a skill development model based on the progression of skills and coaching competencies. Before learning a maneuver, coaches work with their athlete to develop the fundamental skills required to perform the maneuver safely and correctly.

Canadian Snowboard coaches work within the scope of training and competition for the level of course they have completed. Courses are designed based on the Long Term Athlete Development (LTAD) stage for the athlete in which they are coaching to ensure they have the skills needed to support the specific level in which they work.

During eligible training and competition, the coach is covered under Canada Snowboard's sanctioning for specified freestyle skills. The recommendations of the LTAD in the following table outline the intended maximum level of freestyle skill within the scope of practice for each stage. Any skill performed beyond the scope of training of the coach, is done at the personal liability of the athlete and coach, unless under the direct guidance and mentorship from a Competition Development Certified coach. Under such supervision, the mentored coach is covered for one additional step in the progression box below.

Type Move	Snowboard Coaching Context	Athlete LTAD Level
Rotation up to 720 with 1 invert/cork	Comp Intro Trained Coach	Learn to Ride (3)
Up to 900 with 1 invert/cork	Comp Intro Certified Coach OR Comp Intro trained + Air 1	Learn to Ride (3)
Rotation up to 1080 with up to 2 invert/cork	Comp Intro Advanced Coach * Air 2 recommended	Train to Train (4)
Unlimited	Competition Introduction Advanced Certified and beyond * Air 2 recommended	Train to Compete (5)

## Air Bag & Water Ramp

Snowboard coaches may utilize air bag and water ramp facilities to assist in the development of their athletes. Coaches working with athletes on these facilities must adhere to the minimum training level:

Air Bags: Competition Introduction Certified and Air 1 trained



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Or

Comp Intro Trained with completion of the Canada Snowboard Air Bag Module.

Water Ramp:

Comp Intro Advanced + Air 1 & 2 and completion of a water ramp safety training or Air 3 (water ramp training)

\*\* Snowboard coaches who do not meet the above requirements, can coach their athletes at an Air Bag or Water Ramp under the supervision of a Certified Air 3 coach.

The table and rules above apply to the level of skills covered under liability insurance. Please see the CS Air Facility Usage policy for full guidelines.