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# **The Road to Credentialing**



# Credentialing Facts

- **The ICF Credentialing program has been in operation for over 10 years and has experienced tremendous growth and global acceptance**
- **To date, there are over 6,000 Credentialed Coaches**
- **Coaches in 67 countries currently hold an ICF Credential**

# ICF Credentials

**ICF offers three Credential levels:**

- **Associate Certified Coach (ACC)**
- **Professional Certified Coach (PCC)**
- **Master Certified Coach (MCC)**

# Application Types

- For the **ACC** and **PCC** Credentials offered there are **two** applications that you can use to apply for the credential. These application types are called:
  - **ACTP Application**- this is for individuals who have completed an ICF Accredited Coach Training Program (ACTP).
  - **Portfolio Application**- this application is used by individuals who have not completed a full ACTP or who have completed coach training with other schools not on the ACTP list.
- The **MCC** Credential only has **one** application type called the **MCC Application**.

	<b><u>ACC ACTP Application</u></b>	<b><u>ACC Portfolio Application</u></b>
<b>Application Period</b>	Accepting Applications 2009 Year Round	Accepting Applications 2009 Year Round
<b>Coach-Specific Training</b>	Successful completion of certification requirements with an ACTP	60 documented hours of Coach-Specific Training
<b>Work with a Mentor Coach</b>	ACTP certification fulfills this requirement	Completion of 10 hours work with a qualified mentor coach
<b>Coaching Experience</b>	Client Coaching Log Documenting: --Minimum of 100 hours --Minimum of 75 paid hours --Minimum of 8 clients	Client Coaching Log Documenting: --Minimum of 100 hours --Minimum of 75 paid hours --Minimum of 8 clients
<b>Coach References</b>	2 reference letters from qualified coaches	2 reference letters from qualified coaches
<b>Examination</b>	Successful completion of the ACTP certification exam through your school.	Successful completion of ICF's oral examination. Exam is scheduled through the ICF.
<b>Fee</b>	\$100 for ICF members, \$300 for non-members	\$225 for ICF members, \$425 for non-members Additional \$75 exam fee

	<b><u>PCC ACTP Application</u></b>	<b><u>PCC Portfolio Application</u></b>
<b>Application Period</b>	Accepting Applications 2009 Year Round	Accepting Applications 2009 Year Round
<b>Coach-Specific Training</b>	Successful completion of certification requirements with an ACTP	125 documented hours of Coach-Specific Training
<b>Work with a Mentor Coach</b>	ACTP certification fulfills this requirement	Completion of 10 hours work with a qualified mentor coach
<b>Coaching Experience</b>	Client Coaching Log Documenting: --Minimum of 750 hours --Minimum of 675 paid hours --Minimum of 25 clients	Client Coaching Log Documenting: --Minimum of 750 hours --Minimum of 675 paid hours --Minimum of 25 clients
<b>Coach References</b>	2 reference letters from qualified coaches	2 reference letters from qualified coaches
<b>Examination</b>	Successful completion of the ACTP certification exam through your school.	Successful completion of ICF's three-part Portfolio Examination. Exam is scheduled through the ICF.
<b>Fee</b>	\$300 for ICF members, \$500 for non-members	\$425 for ICF members, \$625 for non-members Additional \$150 exam fee

	<b><u>MCC Application</u></b>
<b>Application Period</b>	Accepting Applications 2009 Year Round
<b>Coach-Specific Training</b>	200 documented hours of Coach-Specific Training
<b>Work with a Mentor Coach</b>	Completion of 10 hours work with a qualified mentor coach
<b>Coaching Experience</b>	Client Coaching Log Documenting: --Minimum of 2500 hours --Minimum of 2250 paid hours --Minimum of 35 clients
<b>Coach References</b>	3 reference letters from qualified coaches
<b>Examination</b>	Demonstrated competency in ICF's three-part MCC Exam. Exam is scheduled through the ICF.
<b>Fee</b>	\$425 for ICF members, \$625 for non-members  Additional \$150 exam fee

**Further Credentialing  
information can  
be found on:**

**[www.coachfederation.org](http://www.coachfederation.org)**

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**Coaching the Psyche & Soul of High-Achieving Women**  
June 25: Join Marcia Reynolds  
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**2010 Board Nominations Due**  
July 2: Nominations for open positions on the 2010 Board must be submitted.  
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## ICF CREDENTIALING

The International Coach Federation (ICF) offers a recognized, independent credentialing program. Coaches have earned one of three offered ICF C program began over a decade ago.

The ICF Credentialing Program

- Establishes and administers minimum standards for credentialing professional coaches and coach training agencies.
- Assures the public that participating coaches and coach training

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*"Having an MCC opens doors at organizations; it signals my level of training and dedication to the development of my skills and to the profession in general."*



Debbie Frame, MCC United States



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