The largest global organization of tennis coaches provides you the choice of five (5) education/certification pathways that best fits who you teach and/or who you would like to teach.

**External Accreditations for PTR:**

- National Council for the Accreditation of Coaching Education (NCACE) at Level 1
  - 10 & Under
  - Performance

- NCACE at Level 5
  - Master of Tennis - Junior Development
  - Master of Tennis - Performance

- US Sports Academy (5 CEUs)

*Completion of Level 1 for 10 & Under or 11 to 17 Workshop with a Professional rating is a prerequisite to Level 3 PTR Junior Development Program*
**PTR Basic Certification Workshops**

**10 & Under**

The 10 and Under Certification Workshop is for coaches who want to develop their professional skills working with RED, ORANGE and GREEN courts. The workshop teaches coaches how to create an enjoyable child centered environment, together with communication and organization skills necessary to teach the basic athletic, technical and game skills for players starting to play tennis. Working with parents in a positive way is an important element of the workshop.

**11 to 17**

The 11 to 17 Certification Workshop is for coaches who want to deliver high quality participation sessions with young players of this age group. This workshop concentrates on the importance of creating an appropriate environment for those 11 to 17 years old. The necessary communication and organization skills to teach players the athletic, technical and tactical skills along with organizing singles, doubles and team competition are covered. In addition, the workshop gives ideas for developing leadership skills along with how to organize successful camps. Working with parents is also an essential part of the workshop.

**Performance**

The Performance Certification Workshop is for coaches who currently work with or aspire to work with young players of potential aged 10 to 16. The workshop teaches coaches how to develop a performance environment, together with communication and organization skills necessary to teach performance plus competitive development. Planning development programs and working with other professionals along with parents are important elements of the workshop.

**Adult Development**

The Adult Development Certification Workshop is for coaches who want to develop their professional skills working with beginner and intermediate adults. The workshop teaches coaches how to develop an adult friendly environment, understand the different communication and organization skills needed for this player group. It demonstrates the use of programs such as PTR Instant Tennis and ITF Tennis Xpress for beginner adults. The importance of relevant coaching skills and knowledge is emphasized. In addition, adult appropriate competitive formats are considered.

**Senior Development**

The Senior Development Certification Workshop is for coaches who want to recruit and retain more Senior players to their programs. The workshop provides many ideas for programming and competition while highlighting the importance of developing a Senior friendly environment. The different communication and organization skills needed for this player group are also covered. The importance of changing coaching skills and increasing knowledge of the age group is emphasized. In addition appropriate competitive formats for Seniors are considered.

**PTR Level 3**

PTR is introducing a new level of coach education, between the basic Level 1 certification courses and the Level 5 Master of Tennis programs. Level 3 programs will be for coaches wanting to progress their coaching skills and knowledge beyond the basic certification, but who are not ready or able to attend a Master of Tennis program.

Level 3 programs will only be available to coaches who have obtained the PROFESSIONAL rating in the appropriate basic certification. All Level 3 programs will be four (4) days in length. There will be additional course work completed by the coach before and after the program (at least 2 days) within a specific time frame. Assessment will be continuous and competence based (pass/fail). The maximum number of professionals for each program offering will be limited to 16.

**PTR Master of Tennis**

PTR Master of Tennis Programs develop the education and expertise of coaches who have completed the basic certification course at the PROFESSIONAL level. Beginning in 2016, passing the appropriate Level 3 will be required. Each program has 200+ hours of education broken down into: on court work, classroom, online and projects. There are two (2) mandatory four (4) day face to face modules with a maximum of 16 coaches per program offering. Coaches are allowed two (2) years to complete the program. Completion is achieved by demonstrating competence on the basis of continuous assessment for each of the different courses that make up the total MOT program.

For more information, visit [www.ptrtennis.org/certification](http://www.ptrtennis.org/certification) or call 843-785-7244.