

No Limits Soccer Assistant Coach

About the Program

No Limits is a *non-competitive* soccer team created specifically for children with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), ages 3–12. Run by Autism Connections, a non-profit serving the greater Fredericton area, the program focuses on helping children build soccer skills, social confidence, and physical literacy in a supportive, low-pressure environment.

Practices follow a skills-and-drills format, using rotating stations that support coordination, listening, following directions, gross motor skills, and sharing. Visual schedules, social stories, and timers are used each session to support structure and routine. Scrimmages are optional and focused on communication and teamwork—not winning.

Position Summary

We're looking for two compassionate and dependable Assistant Coaches to support our Head Coach and help lead inclusive, engaging practices for our young players. These individuals will work closely with volunteers, children, and families to ensure every child can participate meaningfully—no matter their level of experience or support needs. Experience working with children with Autism is an asset.

Key Responsibilities

- Support the Head Coach in planning and delivering weekly sessions.
- Help set up and run skill-building stations, adapting activities when needed.
- Offer positive encouragement and individualized support to players during practices.
- Work collaboratively with volunteers, parents, and caregivers to create a welcoming environment.
- Reinforce the use of visual schedules, social stories, and timers during sessions.
- Assist with optional scrimmages, helping to guide play with a focus on sharing and communication.
- Promote a respectful, inclusive atmosphere that reflects the values of Autism Connections.

Qualifications

- Experience working with children with Autism Spectrum Disorder is an asset.
- Previous experience in sports, recreation, or child-focused programming is an asset.

- Patience, empathy, and the ability to adapt to different needs and communication styles.
- Comfortable working with a team and following direction from the Head Coach.
- Strong interpersonal skills and a welcoming, friendly presence.
- Reliable vehicle to easily travel between our centre and the field.
- Must pass a criminal record check and vulnerable sector screening.

Job Type: Part-time, Seasonal

Contract length: 2 months (July and August)

Schedule: Mondays 4pm – 8pm

Pay: \$15.90 per hour