

UKCC questions answered

What are the main differences between the current ASA qualifications and those being developed in line with UKCC?

There are four main differences:

- Swimming Coaching and Teaching are now split into separate strands; they sit alongside the other disciplines of Water Polo, Synchronised Swimming and Diving
- The qualifications are athlete centred, working along the principles of Long Term Athlete Development (LTAD); it allows teachers and coaches to progress through levels 1-5 of qualification whilst working within the same area of LTAD. Coaches are being encouraged to excel at working with athletes at particular stages of their LTAD.
- At levels 1 and 2 the emphasis will be on 'how to coach' rather than 'what to coach'.
- The Teaching strand will have a greater emphasis on a multi-disciplined approach – Swimming/Diving/Water Polo/Synchronised Swimming. Teachers will be assessed on their ability to deliver skills and drills associated with all of the four Aquatic Disciplines.

When will the new educational process be launched?

From the 1st January 2007 Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 will be available in Swimming Coaching, Diving and Water Polo. Synchronised Swimming Level 1 will also be available at this time; however their Level 2 and Level 3 will be ready later on the 1st quarter of 2007.

Swimming Teaching levels 1, 2 and 3 will be available from September 2007 onwards

What will happen to my current qualification?

Nothing, all current and past qualifications will remain valid. No one will be asked to convert their current qualifications or re-do them.

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