

Personal Performance Awards Provider Requirements

Instructors, Coaches, Leaders, Raft Guides and Bell Boat Helms are able to deliver specific awards, providing greater access for the paddling community.

Full consideration has been given of how we support providers of the Personal Performance Awards and how access to training is made available. A specific [eLearning package](#) is available for **all** Providers to access, reducing the need to travel, enabling Providers to access the package in their own time, making this a more cost effective route for all Providers.

The eLearning package is centrally administered, maintained and monitored by British Canoeing Awarding Body. Once Providers have completed the eLearning, this will be corresponded with National Association Delivery Centres so records can be updated.

The eLearning will only be required to be completed once, even though Providers may be delivering multiple awards. The eLearning will cover the following topics:

- The award structures
- Philosophy of personal development and growth
- Standardisation of the awards
- Assessment principles and practices
- Administration processes

The eLearning is mandatory to enable Providers to deliver the Personal Performance Awards. On completion of the educational package, the Provider will be sent an electronic document of the eLearning for further reference, as well as a Personal Performance Awards Provider Logo, which they will be able to use in their promotion and marketing for running the awards.

The eLearning provides 10 points towards your CPD and will cost £15.

Delivery

The ethos behind the Personal Performance Awards is that these are very much paddler focused, empowering individuals in their own journey of development. The awards have been written in a way that moves from a prescriptive nature, allowing appropriate decision making to take place and skills that enable the paddler to manoeuvre their craft in that given environment.

Providers **must** remain current with National Association membership, a valid First Aid certificate, safeguarding training within the last 3 years and have up to date CPD.

Due to the nature of the awards, there is no need for registration or any time limits, allowing Providers to facilitate learning and recognise paddlers when they are at the appropriate standard with a British Canoeing Awarding Body Award.

Ratios for the awards are down to the Provider who should make the appropriate decisions depending on individuals, the group and the environment that they are operating. British Canoeing Awarding Body encourages you to remain familiar with the [Environmental Definitions and Deployment Guidance for Instructors, Coaches and Leaders](#).

There are no age restrictions for any of the awards, but Providers need to ensure the appropriate safeguarding mechanisms are in place.

There is no minimal delivery requirement, however all Providers will need to complete additional training/moderation every three years. This update will either be through a webinar or similar eLearning system, reducing travel and time commitments.

The Personal Performance Awards are not directly linked to British Canoeing Awarding Body Coaching and Leadership awards; however, they are ideal to provide appropriate milestones and acknowledgement of a paddler's personal skills, setting up the paddler appropriately and in a strong place for the Coaching and Leadership qualifications offered by British Canoeing Awarding Body.

Providers of the Awards



Paddle Awards	Min qualification that can deliver the award	Minimum qualification holders that can work towards becoming a Provider
Paddle Start	Any qualified Instructor/Coach/Leader/Raft Guide/Bell Boat Helm	NA
Paddle Discover	Any qualified Instructor/Coach/Leader/Raft Guide/Bell Boat Helm	NA
Paddle Explore	Min: BCU Level 3 Coach/BC (UKCC) L2 Coach/ Coach Award	Min: BCU Level 2 Coach / BC (UKCC) Level 1 / Paddlesport Instructor / Paddlesport Leader / Stand Up Paddleboard Instructor

Discipline Specific Awards	Min current role that can deliver the award	Minimum qualification that can work towards becoming a Provider
White Water Award	Coaching: BCU Level 3 Inland Coach BC MWE White Water Kayak Coach White Water Kayak Coach	Leadership: BC White Water Kayak Leader White Water OC1 Leader White Water Leader
Progressive White Water Award	Coaching: BCU Level 4 Inland Coach BC AWE White Water Kayak Coach White Water Kayak Coach (Advanced Water)	Leadership: BC Advanced White Water Kayak Leader Advanced White Water OC1 Leader Advanced White Water Leader
Advanced White Water Award	Coaching: BCU Level 5 Inland Coach BC AWE White Water Kayak Coach White Water Kayak Coach (Advanced Water)	Leadership: BC Advanced White Water Kayak Leader Advanced White Water OC1 Leader Advanced White Water Leader
Stadium White Water Award	Coaching: BCU Level 3 Inland Coach BC MWE White Water Kayak Coach White Water Kayak Coach	Leadership: BC White Water Kayak Leader White Water Leader Stadium White Water Leader
Progressive Stadium White Water Award	Leadership: Stadium White Water Leader Provider	

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Canoe Award	Coaching: BCU Level 3 Canoe Coach BC MWE Canoe Coach Open Water Canoe Coach White Water Canoe Coach	Leadership: BC Canoe Leader Canoe Open Water Leader and BC Canoe White Water Leader
Progressive Canoe Award	Coaching: BCU Level 4 Canoe Coach BC AWE Canoe Coach Open Water Canoe Coach (Advanced Water) White Water Canoe Coach (Advanced Water)	Leadership: BC Advanced Canoe Leader Advanced Canoe Open Water Leader and Advanced Canoe White Water Leader
Advanced Canoe Award	Coaching: BCU Level 5 Canoe Coach BC AWE Canoe Coach Open Water Canoe Coach (Advanced Water) White Water Canoe Coach (Advanced Water)	Leadership: BC Advanced Canoe Leader Advanced Canoe Open Water Leader and Advanced Canoe White Water Leader
Surf Kayak Award	Coaching: BCU Level 3 Surf Coach BC MWE Surf Coach Surf Kayak Coach	Leadership: Surf Kayak Leader
Progressive Surf Kayak Award	Coaching: BCU Level 4 Surf Coach BC AWE Surf Coach Surf Kayak Coach(Advanced Water)	Leadership: Advanced Surf Kayak Leader
Advanced Surf Kayak Award	Coaching: BCU Level 5 Surf Coach BC AWE Surf Coach Surf Kayak Coach(Advanced Water)	Leadership: Advanced Surf Kayak Leader
Sea Kayak Award	Coaching: BCU Level 3 Sea Coach BC MWE Sea Coach Sea Kayak Coach	Leadership: Sea Kayak Leader (tidal / non-tidal)
Coastal Sea Kayak Award	Coaching: BCU Level 4 Sea Coach BC AWE Sea Coach Sea Kayak Coach (Advanced Water)	Leadership: Advanced Sea Kayak Leader (tidal /non-tidal)
Advanced Sea Kayak Award	Coaching: BCU Level 5 Sea Coach BC AWE Sea Coach Sea Kayak Coach (Advanced Water)	Leadership: Advanced Sea Kayak Leader (tidal /non-tidal)

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Touring Award Open Water Touring Award Multi Day Touring Award	Coaching: BCU Level 3 Inland Coach BCU Level 3 Sea Coach BCU Level 3 Canoe Coach BCU Level 3 Placid Water Coach BC MWE Touring Coach BC MWE White Water Kayak Coach BC MWE Sea Coach BC MWE Canoe Coach BC Canoe Coach Canoe and Kayak Coach (SW) White Water Kayak Coach Sea Kayak Coach Leadership: BC 4 Star Touring Leader Paddlesport Touring Leader	Leadership: Paddlesport Leader
SUP Sheltered Water Award	Coaching: SUP Sheltered Water Coach SUP Open Water Coach SUP White Water Coach SUP Race Coach Any Coach AND DSM SUP	Leadership: SUP Inland Open Water Leader SUP Coastal Leader SUP Coach Any Leader AND DSM SUP
SUP White Water Award	Coaching: SUP White Water Coach	Coaching: BCU Level 3 Inland Coach BCU Level 3 Canoe Coach BC MWE White Water Kayak Coach BC MWE Canoe Coach SUP White Water Coach White Water Kayak Coach White Water Canoe Coach Leadership: BC White Water Kayak Leader BC Canoe Leader White Water Leader Canoe White Water Leader AND SUP White Water Award
SUP Paddle Surf Award	SUP Paddle Surf Award Provider	Coaching: BCU Level 3 Surf Coach BC MWE Surf Coach Surf Kayak Coach Leadership: Surf Kayak Leader SUP Coastal Leader AND SUP Surf Award



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Flat Water Freestyle Award	Freestyle Coach	Coaching: BCU Level 3 Inland Coach BC MWE White Water Kayak Coach White Water Kayak Coach Leadership: Stadium White Water Leader
Freestyle Award		
Advanced Freestyle Award		
Flat Water Raft Racing Award	Stadium Raft Guide BC River Raft Guide Raft Guide AND relevant Raft Racing Award	Stadium Raft Guide BC River Raft Guide Raft Guide
Stadium Raft Racing Award		
River Raft Racing Award		
Polo Explore Award	Polo Coach	Sheltered Water Coach with Polo DSM Attended a Coach Award Polo Coach DST
Polo Perform Award		
Polo Excel Award		
Racing Explore Award	Racing Coach (both pathways)	Attended a Coach Award Racing Coach DST
Racing Perform Award		
Racing Excel Award		
Slalom Explore Award	Slalom Coach (both pathways)	Attended a Coach Award Slalom Coach DST
Slalom Perform Award		
Slalom Excel Award		
Wild Water Racing Explore Award	Wild Water Racing Coach	Attended a Coach Award Wild Water Racing Coach DST
Wild Water Racing Perform Award		
Wild Water Racing Excel Award		

Note:

Qualification holders that can work towards becoming a Provider must have completed the Personal Performance Award eLearning package, hold the relevant role/qualification, have a current First Aid qualification, completed Safeguarding training within the last 3 years and appropriate CPD on record, prior to being given a final recommendation from a current status/roles that can deliver the awards in the relevant award.

Full details can be found in the 'Personal Performance Awards Final Recommendation Guidance' on the British Canoeing Awarding Body website.