

Scottish Swimming recognises that there are many avenues, outside of the Scottish Swimming pathway, by which individuals may have developed their coaching skills. E.g. Coaches may have gained coaching skills abroad or through working in other sports. Scottish Swimming values these skills and welcomes coaches from different backgrounds into our sport in Scotland. In order to assist these coaches in integrating into swimming coaching in Scotland we offer a number of routes to recognise achievement valuing it against the current Scottish Swimming pathway. Please note that examples are not extensive and each application is assessed on an individual basis.

	Overseas Comparison	Exemption	Recognition of Prior Learning	Learners wishing to transfer both Level and Discipline
Who should apply?	Anyone who has gained qualifications abroad & has been coaching for a minimum of 6 months.	Ex athletes who may have been assisting with coaching informally. Coaches from other sports at a high level who also have proven knowledge of swimming techniques.	Anyone who wishes to map their current skills and experience to the pathway for swimming. E.g. PE teachers who may have extensive experience in the 'how to coach' techniques may only need to complete certain units to achieve Level 2	Learners who hold (for example) Level 1 Teaching Aquatics and wish to apply to attend Level 2 Coaching Swimming. Etc.
What will I need to provide evidence for?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application form Qualification certificate Module breakdown 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application Form Witness testimony of your level of teaching/ coaching Certificates from other sports/education 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application Form Qualifications Teaching/ Coaching experience Evidence of Sports specific knowledge 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application Form Qualifications Teaching/ Coaching experience Evidence of Sports specific knowledge Witness testimony of your level of teaching/ coaching
What is the outcome if successful?	If the comparison is successful, in order to coach at the same level as in the home country, no further formal training will be required however, CPD will be compulsory under the coach licence scheme.	You will go straight onto a full course at the appropriate level. E.g. if granted an exemption at level 1 you may progress to level 2.	Successful candidates will be offered assessment in the remaining units of the appropriate qualification. On successful completion of the assessments the qualification will be awarded.	Successful candidates will be granted exemption of the Level 1 course in their requested discipline, thus allowing direct access to Level 2 course attendance.
Cost?	£25.00	£25.00	Application cost - £25.00 Please note if additional assessment and/or marking of evidence is required any associated fees must be covered by the learner. This will never exceed the cost of attending a course.	Initially your request will be processed internally and as such there will be no fee attached; if there is a need to send to an external Assessor a £25 fee will be requested.
Forms	All application forms can be downloaded here .			