

1st4sport Level 3 Certificate in Working in the Outdoors



Overview

Qualification Accreditation Number	500/5671/2
Learning hours (GLH)	50 (30)
SFA/LAD Funding Code	500/5671/2
Entry Age	18
National Diploma in Sport and Active Leisure	Additional and Specialist Learning (ASL) Catalogue approved
Apprenticeships	Mandatory technical certificate
Qualification Accreditation Start Date	01/01/09
Qualification Accreditation End Date	31/12/10
Certification End Date	31/12/13
Qualification Structure	See Structure
Supporting Materials	See Materials

To find out how to apply to deliver this qualification see the How to Apply section. There are no costs involved in applying or becoming a 1st4sport recognised centre.

The 1st4sport Level 3 Certificate in Working in the Outdoors is a qualification designed to fill a gap in any outdoor education induction programme. It has been specifically designed to provide knowledge of the outdoors industry to anyone interested in working in it or currently working in it, but especially to learners pursuing a relevant Apprenticeship, as it is the mandatory Technical Certificate for the Apprenticeships and Advanced Apprenticeships via The Outdoors pathway. Thanks to the interactive, creative and practical nature of the qualification (only 50 learning hours), learners are able to increase their confidence levels as they learn about:

- the outdoor industry
- their rights and responsibilities as employees
- the impact of public law and policies on the outdoor industry and the organisation they may work for
- planning, delivering, reviewing and evaluating outdoor programmes.

The qualification is an excellent progression for those working in the outdoors industry supporting learners' ability to gather activity-specific qualifications and supplement their learning – leading to employment as activity instructors, outdoor programme planners and voluntary organisation workers. Those already in employment in the above roles, can use this certificate to enhance their knowledge of the breadth of the industry and gain an accredited qualification.

Who is the Qualification for?

Anyone over 18 years of age who is interested in working in the outdoors industry. Those learners pursuing an Apprenticeship or Advanced Apprenticeship via the The Outdoors pathway will be especially interested in the qualification as it is the Mandatory Technical Certificate. The qualification is also ideal for those people seeking employment as activity instructors, outdoor programme planners and voluntary organisation workers, as it qualifies them to fill these roles. For those already in employment in the above roles, they should pursue this qualification to enhance their knowledge of the breadth of the industry and gain an accredited qualification.

Why Deliver this Qualification?

An excellent first step towards working in the outdoors industry

While this qualification doesn't qualify learners to work as outdoor instructors or teachers, it does support their ability to start to gather activity-specific qualifications and supplement their learning – leading to entry-level employment as:

- activity instructors
- assistant instructors
- assistant sports coaches, and
- voluntary organisation workers.

Continued professional development opportunity for your staff

The qualification is an extremely useful continued professional development (CPD) opportunity for those already employed in the above roles as they can use this award to reinforce their knowledge of the industry, while gaining an accredited qualification.

No prior activity-specific technical expertise required

The qualification requires no prior activity-specific technical expertise. That means, for example, it's an excellent introduction to the outdoor industry for learners working towards a relevant NVQ.

Provides the outdoor specific knowledge other qualifications don't recognise
A more relevant introduction to the industry than generic industry awareness qualifications this qualification is an excellent introduction for learners looking to understand the outdoors industry and the career opportunities that exist within it.

Prerequisites

Learners are required to be a minimum of 18 years of age.

Structure

The qualification is divided into the following units:

Unit No	Unit Title	Accreditation No.
1	Introduction to Employment Rights and Responsibilities in the Outdoor Industry	H/500/4576
2	Employment Rights and Responsibilities in the Outdoor Industry	Y/502/1973
3	Organisational Awareness and Industry Awareness in the Outdoors	D/502/1974
4	Plan, Deliver, Review and Evaluate Outdoor Programmes	K/502/1976

There are 50 recommended learning hours for learners to complete the qualification, of which 30 are guided learning hours.

Materials

Unlike many other awarding bodies that just supply you with the basic qualification standards, we go that extra mile to support you by providing:

- full and comprehensive learner packs, which include a full set of structured learning and assessment tasks to help you deliver the qualification
- tutor/assessor guidance notes, which include sample answers to support you when assessing your students
- qualification administration that is all carried out online, enabling you to process students quickly and effectively, and making the records we hold on your students accessible to you at the click of a mouse.

The qualification is supported by the following 1st4sport resources:

- *Recognised Centre Handbook*
- generic administrative guidance for recognised centres
- 1st4sport Level 3 Certificate in Working in the Outdoors Tutor/Assessor/Verifier Guidance
- 1st4sport Level 3 Certificate in Working in the Outdoors Tutor/Assessor/Verifier Guidance to Assessment
- 1st4sport Level 3 Certificate in Working in the Outdoors Learner Pack
- internal and independent assessment tools.

Fees

Fees are charged per learner and provide registration and certification for the qualification, as well as a 1st4sport Learner Pack, learning resources and certificate. There are no costs involved in applying or becoming a 1st4sport recognised centre. Further information on fees is available from your qualification application form.

How do I Find Out More?

To find your nearest 1st4sport recognised centre or if you have any further queries please contact us:

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How to Apply

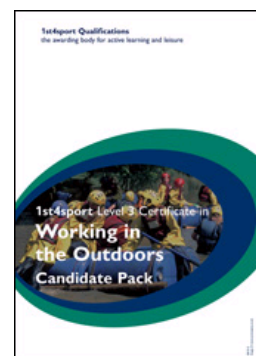
If you are not already a 1st4sport recognised centre, but would like to deliver the 1st4sport Level 3 Certificate in Working in the Outdoors, you will first need to fill in a Centre Recognition Application Form.

To apply, please [request a Centre Recognition Application Form](#)

If you are already a 1st4sport recognised centre and would like to seek approval to deliver the 1st4sport Level 3 Certificate in Working in the Outdoors, please access *Athena*, the 1st4sport quality assurance system, and complete the qualification approval process. If you cannot remember your username and password, please [contact us](#).

We don't charge you any fees to apply to deliver this qualification.

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