

1st4sport Level 3 Certificate in Equestrian Coaching (Showjumping)



Qualification Specification

Qualification Overview:	The 1st4sport Level 3 Certificate in Equestrian Coaching (Showjumping) focuses on the skills and competences required to be able to plan, deliver and evaluate an annual equestrian coaching programme, preparing them for employment as a Showjumping Coach.						
Qualification Code:	603/2443/0	Level:	3	Age:	18+	Registration Period:	3 Years
Guided Learning (GL):	90 Hours	Total Qualification Time (TQT)	188 Hours	Credit Value:	19	Operational From:	01 October 2017
Progression Opportunities:	Employment (paid or voluntary) as a Showjumping Coach. Progress to other industry-relevant qualifications in equestrian coaching, such as other pathways within the 1st4sport Level 3 Certificate in Equestrian Coaching qualification or regional Continual Professional Development workshops.						

Qualification Objective
What does this qualification cover?
This qualification prepares learners for employment as a showjumping coach. A level 3 showjumping coach is able to plan, deliver and evaluate an annual equestrian coaching programme, although may work as part of a larger coaching team. The qualification introduces learners to the practical and theoretical aspects of planning, delivering and evaluating annual equestrian coaching programmes in showjumping.
Who is the qualification for?
The qualification is designed for those who wish to become involved in showjumping as a head/programme coach, and to have responsibility for the ongoing development of participants. It is a qualification for those coaches who have already completed the Level 2 Certificate in Equestrian Coaching (Showjumping), or equivalent. It is directed at learners who have an interest in coaching showjumping.
Who supports this qualification?
The qualification is recognised as the industry standard level 3 qualification for showjumping coaches by the British Equestrian Federation (BEF), British Showjumping and UK Coaching.
The BEF is the National Governing Body for equine sport in the UK. It exists to steer the direction of equestrianism. Representing the interests of 4.2 million riders, vaulters and carriage drivers in Great Britain via 19 independent member bodies (15 members and 4 associates) the BEF continue to drive participation in equestrian sport by connecting people to riding centres, schools, clubs and equestrian sporting organisations.

Qualification Progression
What future education could this qualification lead to?
Learners could progress on to a higher level coaching qualification. The skills and knowledge developed through this qualification may also be used to progress to other industry-relevant qualifications in equestrian coaching, sports coaching, activity leadership, supporting PE in school sport or sports development.
What future employment could this qualification lead to?
This qualification may lead to paid or voluntary roles in coaching showjumping, either working independently or as part of a coaching team.
Qualification Achievement
Entry Requirements for the Qualification
The recognised centre is required to conduct and evidence the initial assessment of learners to ensure that the pre-requisites to registration and certification are considered, and that the learner has the potential to achieve the qualification.
Prior to registration learners are required to:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be accurately identified • be at least 18 years of age • have completed the Level 2 Certificate in Equestrian Coaching or equivalent • have attended a Showjumping screening assessment • be able to communicate effectively in English¹ (this includes listening, speaking, reading and writing).
Prior to certification for the qualification learners are required to:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • attend and have a valid and in date certificate for a recognised first/emergency aid workshop • attend and have a valid and in date certificate for a recognised safeguarding workshop (online version not accepted)

¹ Learners must be able to understand the requirements of, and produce the evidence required for, the qualification and the information within the qualification materials in English without assistance. Where there is demand, this qualification may also be available in Welsh or Irish.

How is the Qualification Achieved?
<p>To achieve the 1st4sport Level 3 Certificate in Equestrian Coaching (Showjumping), learners must successfully achieve six units: five mandatory units and the showjumping-specific pathway unit. Achievement of the qualification is normally through attendance on a programme of learning and the successful completion of the 1st4sport Assessment Tasks contained within the 1st4sport Learner Portfolio.</p>
What will be assessed?
<p>Learners must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> complete written tasks contained within the 1st4sport Learner Portfolio demonstrate their ability to plan, deliver and evaluate an annual coaching programme practical observation of coaching <p>Successful completion will result in the achievement of the qualification.</p>
How will it be assessed?
<p>This qualification contains a range of units to be completed by the learner. Each unit is comprised of a number of learning outcomes and identified assessment criteria to be completed.</p> <p>Learning Outcomes that begin ‘The learner will understand...’ will be assessed through theory based activities.</p> <p>Learning Outcomes that begin ‘The learner will be able to...’ are assessed through practical activities.</p> <p>For example:</p>

Learning outcomes The learner will:	Assessment criteria The learner can:
<p>1 understand how to ensure participants’ safety during sport specific coaching sessions</p>	<p>1.1 describe the health and safety requirements that are relevant to planned sport-specific activities and competition.</p> <p>1.2 describe how to structure coaching sessions to minimise the risk of injury to participants.</p>
<p>2 be able to prepare resources for the coaching session</p>	<p>2.1 ensure that the identified resources meet the requirements of the activity.</p>
Qualification Delivery	
What workforce is needed to be able to deliver this qualification?	
<p>The recognised centre is required to have a qualified and competent qualification workforce in place which includes as a minimum.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a qualification administrator a qualification coordinator a British Showjumping licensed coach educator a British Showjumping licensed assessor a British Showjumping licensed internal quality assurer (IQA) <p>Further information on workforce requirements are available from 1st4sport Qualifications on request.</p>	

What facilities are needed to be able to deliver this qualification?

The recognised centre is required to have one or more delivery sites which contain facilities to support the programme of learning and assessment. These must comply with health and safety regulations and have in place appropriate access arrangements. All training and/or assessment sites should include the following facilities:

- car/horse box/lorry parking
- a practical space for coaching activities to be delivered including two arenas; at least one indoor measuring 40m x 70m and a second arena (indoor or outdoor) minimum 30m x 60m
- an appropriate surface for training and jumping at a height of 1.20m
- a space for theoretical sessions to be delivered with conditions conducive to learning
- male and female changing and toilet facilities.

What equipment is needed to be able to deliver this qualification?

The recognised centre is required to have equipment in place to facilitate the full programme of learning and assessment which must comply with accepted health and safety practice and should include:

- first aid kit (human and equine)
- minimum of 16 pairs of wings, 64 poles and safety cups
- emergency phone
- an indoor classroom
- a screen, projector, laptop, speakers and flipchart.

The recognised centre must ensure that all learners and persons being coached wear appropriate apparel for showjumping and safety clothing/equipment.

What qualification materials support this qualification?

This qualification is supported by a number of additional documents which must be read by all relevant personnel within recognised centres approved to offer this qualification. These include:

- *1st4sport Level 3 Certificate in Equestrian Coaching (Showjumping) Qualification Handbook*, detailing the 1st4sport Qualification Approval Conditions and the Delivery, Assessment and Quality Assurance Approach for this qualification
- *1st4sport Level 3 Certificate in Equestrian Coaching (Showjumping) Unit Specifications*, detailing the Learning Outcomes and Assessment criteria for the qualification
- *1st4sport Level 3 Certificate in Equestrian Coaching (Showjumping) Learner Portfolio*, containing a series of pre-standardised assessment tools and templates to support the learner's achievement of the qualification.
- *1st4sport Level 3 Certificate in Equestrian Coaching (Showjumping) Delivery, Assessment and Quality Assurance Approach*, detailing the recommended learning programme, exemplar assessment answers and levels of attainment and guidance to the internal quality assurance

How much does this qualification cost?

Qualification registration and certification fees are available from 1st4sport Qualifications on request. Centres need to factor in facility and workforce costs in order to determine a Qualification Fee for learners.

How to apply to deliver this qualification

Contact 1st4sport Qualifications, requesting qualification approval for the 1st4sport Level 3 Certificate in Equestrian Coaching (Showjumping)

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Qualification Structure (Rule of Combination)

Learners must successfully achieve 19 credits from the five mandatory and the single showjumping-specific pathway unit.

Mandatory Units

Unit Title	Level	Credit	GL	Reference	Assessment Method(s)
The role of the equestrian programme coach	3	2	12	M/616/4762	Written Tasks, Observation of Coaching
The role of skill development in equestrian coaching programmes	3	2	9	F/616/4765	Written Tasks, Observation of Coaching
Plan an equestrian coaching programme	3	3	9	L/616/4767	Written Tasks, Observation of Coaching
Deliver an equestrian coaching programme	3	4	15	Y/616/4769	Written Tasks, Observation of Coaching
Review an equestrian coaching programme	3	4	15	R/616/4771	Written Tasks, Observation of Coaching

Level 3 Certificate in Equestrian Coaching (Showjumping) Pathway Unit

Unit Title	Level	Credit	GL	Reference	Assessment Method(s)
Technical coaching requirements for showjumping	3	4	30	K/616/4775	Written Tasks, Observation of Coaching

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