



ASSISTANT COACH CRITERIA

COMPLETION OF THIS QUALIFICATION WILL ALLOW THE CANDIDATE TO TEACH INDEPENDENTLY ON
SKATE UK COURSES - BADGES 1-8 ONLY, WITH FULL LIABILITY INSURANCE, ENABLING PAYMENT TO BE
RECEIVED FOR THEIR SERVICES ON SKATE UK CLASSES ONLY.

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THE COURSE

Pre-requisite

- Registration and fee
- Full current BIS membership
- Minimum age, 16yrs on application
- Minimum level, Skills 1 or BIS coach competency test
- Complete eligibility form (only required if you still wish to compete/participate in shows)

Module 1 – Maximising participant experience

- “The collective” workshop

Module 2 – Welfare of participants

- EDI workshop (online)
- Safeguarding course (online)

Module 3 – The coaching assistant role

- UK coaching - Get into Coaching: Assistant Coach in Sport & Physical Activity eLearning course.

Module 4 – Professional practice

- Professional practice workshop/discussion (code of conduct/practice/ethics/risk assessments/NOP & EAP)
- Practical first aid course
- DBS/PVG
- UK Coaching - Concussion Awareness for Coaches eLearning course.

Module 5 – Plan, coach, reflect

- UK coaching - How to: plan, coach and reflect eLearning course.

Module 6 – Skate UK coaches guide workshop

- Skate UK workshop

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Module 7 – Mentored hours.

- A minimum of 30 mentored hours with your chosen mentor
- This should include a minimum of 16hrs of Skate UK* observation sessions. You must observe at least 2 sessions per level of the Skate UK* curriculum and these sessions require recorded notes via the mentor cards provided, which must then be uploaded to your Sport80 profile.
- This should also include a minimum of 8hrs of Skate UK* delivery sessions, monitored by your mentor. You must deliver at least 1 session per level of the Skate UK* curriculum and these sessions require a lesson plan (including reflective findings) via the mentor cards provided, which must then be uploaded to your Sport80 profile. Please note, delivery of Skate UK classes may only occur once modules 1 – 5 have been completed.
- ALL mentored hours should be done under the supervision of your BIS approved mentor.

Your chosen mentor must be a Level 2 + Qualified Coach however, this is ONLY permitted if the Coach has been an independently qualified level 2 coach for 5 years or more.

*Or the same elements included in the Skate UK curriculum.

Module 8 – Practical and theory exam

Written exam will include questions from:

- The collective (module 1)
- Code of conduct, ethics/practice (module 4)
- Professional practice (module 4)
- Skate UK (module 6)

Practical exam:

- Competency test (if applicant does not hold BIS skills 1).
- On ice lesson delivery; 20-30min lesson.