

ASA South East Region Course Subsidies

For swimming club members in Buckinghamshire, Hampshire, Rural Kent, Sussex, Berkshire, Oxfordshire and Rural Surrey

What is a South East Region Course Subsidy?

Gaining a swimming qualification is vital in developing coaching skills. Undertaking such training is often expensive. To reduce some of the financial burden, the ASA South East Region can now offer funding towards the completion of Swimming Coaching Awards.

What are the aims and objectives?

The aims of the scheme are to increase the number of Rural Kent / Sussex / Berkshire / Oxfordshire / Rural Surrey / Hampshire / Buckinghamshire residents qualified to coach swimming and to raise existing standards.

The objectives are to encourage individuals to take the first step into coaching by completing the appropriate swimming award. Also, to assist the development of existing qualified coaches through additional, higher level courses and continued professional development.

Who is eligible?

Applications are welcomed from people who can demonstrate that they are already, or intend to become, involved in coaching swimming; and who are residents of Rural Kent, Sussex, Berkshire, Oxfordshire and Rural Surrey. They must be from a Swim 21 accredited club or actively working towards accreditation*

The proposed course must be recognised by the ASA and the applicant must meet course criteria.

The South East Region has the final decision on which clubs should be subsidised, based on their progress with action plans to achieve Swim 21 accreditation.

Special consideration will be given to applicants who are unemployed or disabled.

How often can I apply?

Applications for an award can only be made once every financial year (i.e. April to March).

How large is a Coaching Bursary?

Awards will be made to off-set the cost of training and examinations. Maximum bursaries are:

- ASA/UKCC Level 1 courses up to 2/3rds of course cost (£370)
- ASA/UKCC Level 2 courses up to 2/3rds of course cost (£650)
- ASA/UKCC Level 3 courses up to 2/3rds of course cost (£1800)

This will be split between the ASA, the South East Region and external funding – It is recommended that the short fall should be met by the club or individual.

How are applications made?

Applications for a bursary should be made through the ASA South East Region Office, with both the applicant and Swimming Club Chairman completing the relevant parts of the application form.

Applications should include a supporting statement indicating how the proposed training will enhance sporting opportunities for both the applicant and groups with whom they work.

When are grants awarded?

Application forms will be accepted by the Regional office at any time as at present, the funding is available. **Grants will be paid once the office receives notification of attendance and completion of the course from the club chairman, head coach or secretary.**

Please note that if the club contributes towards the cost of the course, the bursary will be paid to the club. Please ensure accurate completion of Section B

Your application must be received **BEFORE** your course start date, and the earlier the better, as it allows any mistakes to be amended, or queries verified.

Can clubs put several applicants through at the same time?

Yes, they can but will have to fill in a form for each applicant.

Please write in BLOCK CAPITALS throughout and return your completed application to:

Joan Massie – ASA South East, Bisham Abbey National Sports Centre, Bisham, Nr Marlow, Buckinghamshire, SL7 1RT.

N.B. Section A&B: To be completed by the applicant

Section C: To be completed by the Chairman of the applicant's affiliated swimming club prior to submission

* Actively working towards swim21 will be decided by the development team.

PLEASE NOTE : This is an application form for funding. It can be rejected. Please also seek other funding options locally and through your club networks.

SECTION A

PERSONAL DETAILS – to be completed by applicant

Name: MR/MRS/MISS/MS.....

Date of birth:/...../.....

Age:

Home address:

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Telephone number (home):

Telephone number (work):

Occupation:

SECTION B

CURRENT SWIMMING COACHING QUALIFICATIONS (with dates achieved):

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Number of years coaching:

Current coaching commitment: per week

(Delete as appropriate) Full-time/Part-time/Voluntary

Please indicate your income from coaching over the past year.

£..... and your expenses £.....

PURPOSE OF BURSARY

Please give details of the education/training programme/coaching event which you wish to follow:

Title of event:

Date(s) of event:

Venue:

Cost of course: £

Amount contributed by applicant: £

Amount contributed by swimming club: £

Amount of bursary applied for: £

SUPPORTING STATEMENT

Please indicate, in the space provided, the benefit of this training to you and to your swimmers/team/club:

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Other Funding Sources looked at:

Other funding sources confirmed:.....How much? £

DECLARATION

To the best of my knowledge, the details in this application are correct. I understand information from this form may be used for administration and publicity purposes in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998.

Print name:

Signature: Date:

SECTION C

Name of Swimming Club:

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Name of Chairman:

Contact address:

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..... Post code:

Telephone number (home):

Telephone number (work):

To the best of my knowledge, the particulars in sections A & B are correct.

Yes No (please indicate below)

PLEASE GIVE DETAILS OF THE APPLICANT'S PERSONAL COMMITMENT

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Please give details of the applicant's potential for improvement. Include standard(s) and target(s) for performance, over the next two years (e.g. selection for forthcoming squads or events etc.)

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I (name).....
as Chairman of:

Hereby support the application of (name of applicant):
for a Coaching Bursary from the ASA South East Region:

Signature: Date: