

RYA Powerboat Instructor Training

The Powerboat Instructor is a competent, experienced powerboater who has been trained to teach powerboating up to Level 2 under the supervision of the Principal or Chief Instructor of a recognised centre.

Eligibility

Candidates should have logged at least five seasons' experience of powerboating, preferably in a range of boat types and sizes. For those who use powerboats as an integral part of their normal full-time occupation, this period is reduced to one season.

Candidates will hold the RYA's Level 2 powerboat certificate and a valid first aid certificate.* No candidate under the age of 16 will be accepted for training.

Prior to the instructor training course, candidates must attend a skills assessment.

Training

Candidates will attend a three day instructor course run by an RYA Powerboat Trainer and assessed by an independent Trainer. The course will consist of: principles of practical instruction, lesson planning, teaching styles, use of questioning, preparation and use of visual aids, assessment of students' learning, explanation and presentation of theory subjects, the structure of the scheme, planning progressive teaching sessions, preparation of boats and equipment, teaching methods to Level 2.

Certificate validity

Instructor certificates are valid for five years from the date of issue, provided that a valid first aid certificate is maintained.

*All candidates are required to hold a first aid certificate. Acceptable certificates include the RYA's First Aid Certificate, First Aid at Work, First Aid at Sea, or any other certificate issued on completion of a course which is a minimum of one day's duration, recognised by the Health and Safety Executive and includes the treatment of hypothermia, cold shock and drowning.