

# **Provider Pathway - NCC Guide Award**

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## **Application Process**

The NCC committee will identify the need for providers within a region based on the data collated regarding training and assessment courses and demand for the award. Generally it is expected that a region would have 2 - 3 providers which will allow for a good range of courses and continuity within a region if a provider no longer delivers the award.

Where a need has been identified the committee will contact the regional representatives for that region(s) and will ask the representative to coordinate nominations from within the regional network and will nominate potential candidates (maximum of 3).

Potential candidates MUST be able to evidence the following:

- 600 Hours Experience of Coasteering (which would include training and mentoring of coasteering staff)
- 3 years of experience of Deploying coasteering guides and/or adventurous marine water activities. Deployment means deciding which members of staff goes where given the conditions of the day.
- Hold the NCC Guide Award
- Hold an award in teaching and/or training/assessing (e.g. other NGB TA Status, AET level 3)
- Min 3 years active NCC member with evidence of attending at least 4 regional meetings)
- Attend at least one NCC Bi-Annual Symposium within the last 3 years

Nominated candidates should use application form to highlight their experience and evidence how they meet the above criteria.

## CLICK HERE to go to the downloads section of the Website

You will find a PDF version of the Application form

Please email the <u>Guide Award Administrator</u> if you would like the form in a different format (e.g. word, google doc)

## **Appointment Process**

The NCC Committee will review applications and may (or may not) appoint a probationary provider.

The review would ordinarily take place at the start of each year, however, if there is a need within a region to appoint new providers at an alternate time these will be considered in consultation with the regional rep and the committee.

The candidates will be contacted to inform them on the application and offer feedback if requested.

## **Provider Status**

Where a candidate has been appointed as a probationary provider they must then complete the following actions and log them.

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#### Assist in the delivery of 2 training courses

1 of these courses would be in an assisting / observing role

1 of these courses would be run and delivered (with support) by the probationary provider Both courses must be observed by different providers

#### Assist in the delivery of 2 assessment courses

1 of these courses would be in an assisting / observing role

1 of these courses would be run and delivered (with support) by the probationary provider Both courses must be observed by different providers

#### Attend standardisation

Standardisation meetings are held each year either online or as part of the NCC Symposium

#### Notes:

- This process should be completed within 2 years but may be extended with approval from the committee.
- The above actions are minimum evidence and experience required. Probationary providers
  must be signed off by the observing provider and may be asked to run additional training /
  assessment courses if required.
- Probationary providers must be observed by a minimum of 2 providers.
- Probationary providers can use past experience prior to the application starting as logged evidence (providing this can be signed off by a current provider)

Once the required evidence has been logged and completed the probationary provider must submit the evidence to the NCC committee.

The committee will discuss the evidence with the observing providers and agree on the outcome.

This could be - more experience required (with a provided action plan) or Provider Status

Where provider status is granted the provider must then:

- Complete the provider agreement
- Join the NCC as an individual member and pay provider fees
- Agree to the current peer moderation and standardisation process, as per provider agreement, within first year