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## **PGA Coach Education**

In line with United Kingdom Coaching Certificate (UKCC) requirements, the PGA has been chosen by the National Governing Bodies of golf in England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales, to lead on the development of coaching qualifications and develop a career coaching pathway for golf.

### ***Why become involved***

This is the first qualification of the coaching pathway and will enable you to assist Level 2 coaches delivering aspects of sessions to beginners, usually children and normally under direct supervision.

N.B. This qualification is a pre-requisite of the Level 2 qualification.

### ***Who is it designed for?***

The Level 1 golf coach qualification is ideal for parents, interested volunteers, sports leaders and school teachers. Candidates need a basic understanding of golf, must be at least 16 years of age upon application and must be vetted and deemed as safe to work with children. (see note below)

### ***What will I be able to do?***

As a PGA Level 1 Coach you will play a very important role in assisting a more qualified coach. You will be able to interpret session plans and deliver aspects within that plan, ensuring that the

relevant coaching points are covered and participants are safe and engaged throughout. You will learn about communication, demonstration and positioning—as well as skills-challenges and the importance of progression within a coaching session. Throughout your training an emphasis will be placed on making your sessions safe and fun for all involved.

## **When *can I start coaching?***

In order to coach you need a licence. The licence confirms that you are suitable and insured to coach. To maintain the public liability insurance cover the licence is renewable annually.

To obtain a licence you MUST:

Satisfactorily complete the assessed PGA level 1 training course.

Attend a Safeguarding & Protecting Children Workshop (previously called Good Practice & Child Protection). *For details of local workshops, contact Golf Development Wales or your local Sports Development Officer.*

Be vetted and deemed safe to work with children. If you live in:

**England, Wales or Northern Ireland;** you need to obtain an enhanced

certificate from the Criminal records Bureau (CRB). Golf Development Wales will supply and have processed your application form. This is free of charge for volunteers

## **How *are the courses delivered?***

This qualification is competency based. The training is split into two distinctive areas, which comprise of the following: -

Home study

Tutor contact time

**Home study**—This element of the course is where you will develop your knowledge. The purpose of this is to make the contact time as practical as possible. By undertaking an element of home reading the PGA Tutors will be able to combine your newly acquired knowledge with the practicalities of delivery.

**Tutor contact time**—This is delivered by PGA Tutors normally over 2 consecutive days. In the early stages of the first day there is a multiple choice assessment of your knowledge and understanding of the home study materials. The remaining time will be a combination of tutor-led opportunities combined with the practical delivery of micro-coaching sessions to your peers during which you will undergo continual assessment. Whenever you demonstrate competence within a particular area, your PGA Tutors will recognise this and credit you throughout the PGA Tutor contact time, there will be opportunities to conduct individual and group reviews, helping you to develop an action plan for your next micro-coaching session.

## **How *Do I Apply?***

To obtain an application pack contact the PGA Coach Education administrator:

Email [coaching@pga.org.uk](mailto:coaching@pga.org.uk): or

Phone and leave your details on **01675 477832**

## **How *Much do I pay?***

**£200**

This covers the cost of the course, issuing the Certificate, the licence and the first year's Public Liability insurance. In certain locations and circumstances, you may be eligible to obtain some financial support towards the cost of the course. For more information please contact Golf Development Wales on 01633 423798.

## **Course Dates for 2007**

### **Note**

The dates below are the scheduled dates. More courses can be scheduled in 2007 subject to demand. If the dates below are unsuitable please register your interest by :

Email [coaching@pga.org.uk](mailto:coaching@pga.org.uk); or

Phone and leave your details on [01675 477832](tel:01675477832)

### **Scheduled Courses in 2007**

#### **CONWY GOLF CLUB, CONWY**

Saturday March 3<sup>rd</sup> & Sunday March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2007

#### **CLAYS GOLF CLUB, WREXHAM**

Saturday March 10<sup>th</sup> & Sunday March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2007

#### **CELTIC MANOR, NEWPORT**

Saturday 31st March & Sunday 1st April, 2007

**Please check website for any further courses**  
**[www.golfdevelopmentwales.org](http://www.golfdevelopmentwales.org)**