



Recognition of Prior Learning for Volleyball England coaching awards

What is Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)

Volleyball England's Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) is the recognition of a learner's prior formal learning. This is learning which has previously been accredited within the education system or National Governing Body (NGB) education programme. This allows the learner exemption from Part 1 of the Volleyball England [Assistant Coach](#) or [Coach Award](#) courses.

Who is RPL designed for?

1. A coach who already has a NGB CIMSPA endorsed coaching qualification mapped against the coach or coach professional standard, obtained within the last 6 years.
2. A graduate of a CIMSPA endorsed degree programme certified as meeting the assistant coach or coach professional standard. The full directory of degree programmes endorsed to coach and assistant coach standards can be accessed [HERE](#)

Assistant Coach Award Eligibility

Applicants must also meet the Assistant Coach Award eligibility criteria:

- Be at least 16 years of age
- Have a Volleyball England VolleyZone Account
- Have a current DBS

Coach Award Eligibility

Applicants must also meet the Coach Award eligibility criteria:

- Be at least 18 years of age
- Hold a Volleyball England Assistant Coach Award or equivalent
- Be a coach member of Volleyball England
- Have current [Safeguarding and Protecting Children and First Aid qualifications](#)
- Have a current [DBS](#)

How to apply for RPL

Applicants must apply before booking their place on a course by sending a copy of the qualification certificate, their full name, and the course they wish to attend to Coaching@volleyballengland.org. They will receive a reply within 7 days.

Successful applicants will be issued with a discount voucher code to use at the checkout for the cost of the Technical Module. Applicants need a VolleyZone account to be able to book onto the course. Information about setting up a VolleyZone account and booking onto a course can be found [HERE](#).

Please allow sufficient time before the booking deadline for the RPL process. Volleyball England is unable to reserve places.