

UKCC Level 1 Coach Education funding from 1st January 2012

With effect from 1st January 2012, funding for UKCC Level 1 coach training will be managed through sportScotland's Regional Coaching and Volunteering Managers (RCVMs). Funding decisions will be made based on criteria agreed with the Scottish Orienteering Association. Please note that applicants for funding must have a disclosure or PVG Scheme membership when they apply for funding.

COURSE PRE-REQUISITES

As at present, candidates wishing to undertake the training must meet the specific course pre-requisites before they book a place on a course:

- competence at TD4
- be aged 16 years or older

CHOOSE A COURSE

Candidates should identify which course they wish to attend, and reserve a provisional place, by phone call or e-mail to the National Orienteering Centre (NatCen). You must do this at least 6 weeks before the course starts. Note that this is only a provisional booking.

APPLY FOR FUNDING

Having made that provisional booking, candidates apply to sportScotland for a subsidy of course fees. You will be told how to do this when you make your provisional booking.

If your subsidy application is approved, you will receive a voucher, which you then pass to NatCen as part payment for the course. sportScotland intend applications to be turned round within ten days.

The subsidy will be for up to 50% of the course cost or £150, whichever is lower. You might be eligible for additional support from other sources. Course fees and dates are on the SOA website.

CONFIRM YOUR BOOKING

When you subsequently confirm your booking, you will be required to pay 50% of the remaining course fee, which your club or squad might reimburse. The rest must be paid before the course starts.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for course fees subsidised by sportScotland, you must:

- be resident in Scotland
- provide evidence of your planned deployment as a coach, with a minimum of 12 hours of coaching to be delivered across the calendar year after qualification
- be able to describe the benefit to your club or school that will accrue from your qualification
- be an individual member of British Orienteering and an orienteering club affiliated to the SOA
- have a disclosure or be a member of the PVG scheme

Candidates ineligible for funding must pay the full course fee before the course start date. Please read FAQs and for further detail contact the National Orienteering Centre – e-mail hilary@scottish-orienteering.org

