



ENGLAND BOXING COACHING QUALIFICATIONS UPDATE

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Dear Secretary,

Following a number of queries from regions and coaches, we wanted to update and clarify the following regarding England Boxing coaching qualifications.

Basic principles

- After three years, a level one coach must undertake a level one refresher training course or move onto level two. In order to accommodate this rule, coaches must complete a level one refresher training course by June 2020. From June 2020, if a course has not been undertaken within three years then a new lanyard will not be issued until a refresher course has been undertaken.
- There is currently no time limit for a level two coach. Therefore, the qualification remains valid regardless of when they did it. If they have not been registered on the Vault, then satisfactory proof of qualification is required (normally a certificate to show they have undertaken a level two course). Please note that due to safety issues, this is due to be reviewed in the future.
- It has been confirmed that newly-qualified England Boxing level one coaches must coach for a minimum of 12 months with an England Boxing-affiliated club before progressing to level two, with no exceptions. There is no fast-tracking onto the level two. This is to ensure that coaches get hands-on experience in coaching.

Historical Level Two Coach

Where there is a coach with a level two qualification (ABA, EB, Regions), and satisfactory evidence is shown (this is ordinarily a certificate), then upon provision of meeting the additional registration criteria at www.englishboxing.org/courses/level-2-coaching-courses, they would be eligible to register and under our current rules to set up a boxing club. This is regardless of whether they have been registered on the Vault in the last three years.

Please note that this ruling is currently under review.

Historical Level One Coach

Where there is a coach with a level one qualification (ABA, EB, Regions), and satisfactory evidence is shown (this is ordinarily a certificate), then upon provision of meeting the additional registration criteria at www.englishboxing.org/courses/level-2-coaching-courses, they would be eligible to register with England Boxing and receive

a lanyard. This is regardless of whether they have been registered on the Vault in the last three years.

Where there is person with a historic level one qualification (ABA, EB, Regions), and satisfactory evidence is shown as detailed above (and England Boxing is satisfied they have at some stage done at least one year in a club after gaining the level one qualification), then upon provision of a DBS and other certification, a person would be eligible to go on a level two course. This is regardless of whether they have been registered in the last three years. England Boxing will consider these examples on a case by case basis.

It is recommended, however, that they also attend a level one refresher course first, given the number of changes that have taken place in recent years.

Level One Refresher Training Courses

Given that safety of the boxers is the first priority and requirement of our sport, England Boxing has worked to address a shortfall in course provision in this area and is now giving coaches the opportunity to attend a level one refresher training course so that coaching knowledge remains safe and up to date.

Therefore, to ensure everyone meets this requirement, all level one coaches that attended their course prior to 1st June 2016 and applied for their lanyard after June 2019 will be required to attend and pass the one-day refresher course before June 2020.

Unfortunately, those who fail to comply with this requirement during this timeframe will be unable to register the following season.

From the 2019-2020 season onwards, all coaches whose qualification becomes spent (over three years since their course) will be mandated to undertake the refresher training prior to applying for their lanyard.

Whilst not mandatory, it is also strongly advised that coaches who have not completed a level one course in over three years, and wish to attend a level two course, attend a level one refresher training course prior to applying for the level two course.

Clarification of complete registration process

Once proof of a coaching qualification has been provided, all coaches must provide proof of **all** of the below documents before they are approved on the Vault, and a lanyard is issued:

- An in-date and cleared DBS certificate that appears on the national database under the region that the coach is applying to
- An in-date safeguarding certificate which must be either the England Boxing safeguarding and child protection course or a safeguarding and child protection workshop that is accepted by England Boxing. For more information on safeguarding requirements go to: www.englishboxing.org/clubs/child-protection-and-safeguarding/safeguarding-training-requirements
- An in-date basic first aid certificate which covers CPR, completed with a certified training provider (must be a face-to-face course, minimum of a full day).