



Engaging with the UK Coaching Framework

As the lead agency for sports coaching in the UK, **sports coach UK** has the task of creating a world-leading coaching system by 2016. Following several rounds of consultation prior to the formal launch of the UK Coaching Framework in April 2008, 31 sports have formally committed to the Framework.

In order to use the finite resources of **sports coach UK** to best advantage, our work is currently focused on supporting those sports in developing and implementing their coaching systems, including further development of the UK Coaching Certificate.

Dedicated individual officer time is therefore restricted at present to those 31 sports. In addition, Trailblazer sports have committed to sharing their experience and current best practice with each other and with Delivery sports.

Recognising that other sports may in future seek advice and support in developing their coaching systems and coaches, **sports coach UK** is able to offer all sports the following:

- Programme of CPD workshops run nationwide (40+ titles)
- Coachwise publications and services
- Web-based information via www.sportscoachuk.org
- Guidance documents related to engagement with UK Coaching Certificate
- Implementation User Guide (for Whole-Sport planning)
- Access to generic coaching events (e.g. Coaching Conferences and Coaching Summit)

In addition, individual coaches may take advantage of:

- Programme of CPD workshops run nationwide (40+ titles)
- Coachwise publications and services
- Web-based information via www.sportscoachuk.org
- **sports coach UK** membership

Whilst the focus of **sports coach UK** during 2008/09 is to work directly with the sports which have committed to the Framework, we recognise that other sports will develop their interest and capability in coaching and will want to engage with the Framework in future. The process is as follows:

1. The sport completes a self-assessment of Willing-Ready-Able (desk-top analysis)
2. When this is accepted by **sports coach UK**, a Governing Body Review meeting is held with all the active Home Countries of the sport represented
3. If the outcome of the Review meeting is successful, the sport is recommended for classification. If further work needs to be done, the sport is deferred with an action plan to be completed before a second Review meeting

4. The sport formally signs up to the UK Coaching Framework.