

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) Assessment Guideline

Yachting New Zealand

Any applicant for an RPL for a Yachting New Zealand (YNZ) qualification will be required to complete the online learning module “Coaching Yachting 101” to familiarise themselves with New Zealand safety guidelines and coaching standards, and the online module “Child Safeguarding”.

Assistant Coach

This qualification describes a coach who is either under the age of 18 or does not meet all of the requirements for a full Sailing Coach. Any coach wishing to be recognised as an Assistant Coach will need to have the requirements as per the chart below.

Sailing Coach

This qualification describes a coach who is over the age of 18 and has sufficient experience coaching and leading Learn to Sail groups.

Head Coach

This qualification describes a coach who is over the age of 18 and has extensive experience coaching Learn to Sail and has experience as a Head Coach of a yacht club. Some form of Child Safeguarding training is required to achieve this qualification, as well as a written recommendation from a club where you have been Head Coach.

Race Coach

This qualification describes a coach who has experience coaching at regattas of a sufficient level (ie. nationals or regional level) and can show evidence of self-development and continuous learning in coaching. A Sailing Coach wishing to obtain this qualification can take the Yachting New Zealand Advanced Coach course online on Embark and have an in-person or video submission assessment.

Performance Coach

This qualification describes a coach who has experience coaching at an international level (ie. Youth Worlds or Opti Worlds or equivalent/higher) and can show evidence of self-development and continuous learning in coaching. Applications for this level of coaching will be considered individually and assessments will be tailored to unique situations.

Yachting New Zealand	Sail Canada	US Sailing	RYA	Irish Sailing	Australian Sailing
Assistant Coach	Community Instructor	Sailing Counselor	Assistant Instructor	Assistant Sailing Instructor	Assistant Instructor
Sailing Coach	CANSail 1&2 Instructor	Small Boat Level 1 Instructor	Instructor	Sailing Instructor	Instructor
Head Coach	CANSail 3&4 Instructor	Small Boat Level 2 Instructor			Instructor
Race Coach	CANSail 5&6 Instructor	Small Boat Level 2 Instructor			
Performance Coach	CANSail 5&6 Instructor + sufficient and recent international regatta coaching experience	Small Boat Level 3 Coach + sufficient and recent international regatta coaching experience	Advanced Instructor + sufficient and recent international regatta coaching experience	Advanced Instructor + sufficient and recent international regatta coaching experience	Racing Instructor + sufficient and recent international regatta coaching experience
Pre-requisites					
Coaching Yachting 101	Fundamentals	Incl in Instructor Certification	Included in Instructor Certification	Pre-entry Assessment	General Instructor Principals e-learning course
Powerboat competency (YNZ/ Club Safety Boat Operator)	PCOC and Coach Boat Safety	US Safe Powerboat Handling &/or Evaluation completed during Instructor Course	RYA Powerboat Handling – Level 2	National Powerboat Certificate – Level 2	Australian Sailing Powerboat Handling Certificate
Other: - Child Safeguarding online module	- Standard First Aid & CPR - Police Check (18+) - Student Level - Safe Sport Training	- Standard First Aid & CPR	- Standard First Aid & CPR - Police Check – Garda or Other National Vetting - Pre-Entry Assessment	- Standard First Aid & CPR - Police Check – Included with Instructor Training - Pre-Entry Assessment	- Working with children check