
BCU Level 5 Coach Training (7 Days)

REMEMBER YOU MUST HAVE REGISTERED YOUR INTENTION TO DO THIS COURSE WITH THE BCU, FOLLOWING THEIR MANDATORY C1 PROCEDURE.

What Paperwork Is Required?

When you meet your trainers they will ask to see the following:

- Original Form C1 signed and stamped by the BCU - **you will be turned away from the course if you do not have this!**
- BCU/SCA/CANI/WCA comprehensive (full) membership.
- Your Log Book (up to date!)
- Your **ORIGINAL** Certificates:
 - Level Four Coach Award in main discipline (or Level Three and Coaching Process's if these were passed after Dec 2006 when L.4 was stopped.)
 - Four Star Award in second discipline
 - Current First Aid Certificate (8 hour including CPR and EAV).

The Course

The course will start at 09.00 on the Saturday morning with the course director and training team. For those booked in as residential, accommodation is available for the Friday night.

The course has some classroom work on top of the practical days. You should come equipped for rivers, sea or surf - whichever is relevant to you. Sessions will also take place on Loch Morlich and our indoor pool. The first three days will be generic looking at the coaching process's required for L5 Coach, with the fourth day putting this into context in your chosen discipline. The next two days will be spent coaching some mock students. For Sea and Surf candidates these 2 days will be spent at an alternative base on the coast, this will be on a full board basis and is included as part of the course. The final day will be spent bringing the course together and ensuring clear action plans are agreed to allow candidates to start their development phase and move on towards assessment.

A more detailed course programme and additional information will be sent out prior to the course.

What Will I Need?

Glenmore Lodge has a large, and very comprehensive store of up to date clothing and equipment. You are welcome to use your own equipment and pick and choose odd items from the store. Your instructor will want to check that personal equipment is appropriate for the activity.

If you are thinking about buying equipment but are not too sure what to get we would advise you to come and try our equipment and then make your purchases after the course. We have a range of most equipment items you can try during the course and there is advice on hand from other students as well as the staff.

We have a range of some of the latest river kayaks from Pyranha and other top manufacturers. All our Sea kayaks are this years models from P&H and Valley. Our Open boats are all new from Mad River, Wenonah and Venture. The surf kayaks are also of up to date design from Valley and Mega.

Our paddling clothing is from Peak and we have a wide range tailored to your discipline.

We use a range of paddles depending on the activity, Lendal and Werner for sea kayaking and Werner for river/surf kayaking and canoe. There are specialist additional open boating items such as paddles, poles and sails.

GLENMORE LODGE CAN SUPPLY:

- ✓ Bouyancy aids
- ✓ Helmets
- ✓ Spray decks
- ✓ Cags
- ✓ Wet suits
- ✓ Wet suit bootees
- ✓ Small drybags
- ✓ Dry suits (only for out of season kayak courses)
- ✓ Paddling Trousers
- ✓ Pogies
- ✓ Paddling Neoprene Gloves/mitts
- ✓ Towlines
- ✓ Split Paddles

White Water and Swift Water Rescue

- ✓ Dry suits
- ✓ Throw lines
- ✓ Knives
- ✓ Karabiner
- ✓ Slings/Tape
- ✓ Pulleys
- ✓ Prussiks

Expeditions

- ✓ Large dry bags
- ✓ Barrels for open boat journeys
- ✓ Sleeping bag & liner
- ✓ Tents (2 & 3 person)
- ✓ Karrimat
- ✓ Cookers, (Trangias, MSR & primus) we have paraffin and meths only. If you prefer to use your own stove you must bring the fuel for it.
- ✓ Pots and pans
- ✓ Cutlery / plastic mug

EQUIPMENT YOU NEED TO BRING WHICH WE DO NOT HAVE IN THE STORES.

Listed here are the essentials, this is not an exhaustive list.

- ✓ Informal clothing for leisure wear
- ✓ Insulating layers – at least two mid weights
- ✓ Fleece/insulated jacket
- ✓ Waterproof jacket
- ✓ Hat & gloves***
- ✓ Vacuum Flask & Water Bottle ***
- ✓ Box or bag for packed lunch.
- ✓ Blister kit/ small first aid kit
- ✓ Personal toiletries & medications (towels are provided)
- ✓ Suncream – you just never know! ***
- ✓ Sunhat and sun glasses & cord

- ✓ Insect Repellant – it may be midgey!***
- ✓ Spare towel
- ✓ An alarm clock
- ✓ Glenmore Lodge also has a pool, sauna, gym & climbing wall - so don't forget your swimming/gym/climbing kit!
- ✓ Waterproof Notebook.

Rolling

- ✓ For courses using the pool for rolling we advise the use of a nose clip. These are not provided but can be bought in our shop.***

Sea Kayaking

- ✓ Compass - Silva type 4 recommended ***
- ✓ Personal Towel if staying at Inchree on Intro Sea Kayaking Course
- ✓ For 5 Star courses please bring headtorch & light sticks for night paddling***

Open Canoe

- ✓ For open canoe courses Spey descent etc. a pair of wellies are very useful.
- ✓ For 5 Star courses please bring headtorch and light sticks for night paddling.***

Items marked * are available in our shop subject to availability.**

Useful Books

British Canoe Union Coaching Handbook by BCU

This book is a mine of useful information and practical tips. If you aspire to be a better canoe or kayak coach, this is the book for you

Coaching Science, Theory into Practice – Terry McMorris

A complete and fairly exhaustive book of many aspects of coaching relevant for the L5 Coach.