

RYA TRAINING NOTICE

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Safeguarding course requirement for instructors in the National Sailing and Windsurfing Schemes

Applies to:

- RYA Dinghy Coach/Assessors
- RYA Windsurfing Trainers
- RYA recognised training centres running Dinghy or Windsurfing Instructor or Senior Instructor courses
- Newly qualifying RYA Dinghy, Multihull, Keelboat, Windsurfing and Senior Instructor candidates

The RYA's online safeguarding course will be available from January and will become a pre-requisite for all new Dinghy, Multihull, Keelboat and Windsurfing Instructors and Senior Instructors from 1 April 2015.

This course must be completed prior to the instructor training course, and the certificate shown to the course Coach or Trainer. The Coach or Trainer should record the course date and certificate number on the instructor record card. Safeguarding certificates issued by other organisations will not be accepted for newly qualifying instructor trainees.

Record cards will be available to Coaches and Trainers from January 2015 and must be used from 1 April in order for the candidate's instructor certificate to be issued.

With the introduction of the course, a revised Safeguarding presentation will be available for Coaches and Trainers to use during the instructor course, along with guidance on how to run the face to face safeguarding session, and how to ensure that the overall course programme contains sufficient safeguarding content.

The certificate gained through the RYA's online safeguarding course will be valid for three years.

Existing instructors may also take the RYA safeguarding course but are not required to do so. It remains the responsibility of RYA training centres to implement safeguarding locally, as per the Recognition Guidance Notes.

This information will be incorporated into the G14 National Sailing Scheme Instructor Handbook and W33 Windsurfing Instructor Manual at the next reprint.

Summary:

A new online Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults course will be introduced for Instructors and Senior Instructors in the National Sailing and Windsurfing Schemes.

Implementation to be phased in between January and April 2015.

See also:

RYA Recognition Guidance Notes

For guidance on other areas of RYA Training see:

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