

# NZOIA Matrix for Recognition of Current Competency



NZOIA recognises the following Associations Qualifications and Assessments for Recognition of Current Competency:

- ✓ NZOIA qualifications (2 years past revalidation due date)
- ✓ British Canoe Union\*
- ✓ Mountain Leader Training UK Qualifications
- ✓ IFMGA/NZMGA Qualifications and Assessments
- ✓ Switzerland Outdoor Association Canyon Qualification

General notes:

- All applicants are required to provide evidence of qualifications from the professional body they are transferring from
- All applicants must provide a current First Aid Certificate
- All applicants (excluding NZOIA unregistered Qualifications) must provide a copy of their logbook over the last 4 years showing equivalent experience as outlined in the NZOIA Scope and Syllabus
- **All accepted applicants must pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months**

Unregistered NZOIA Qualifications		
All NZOIA Qualifications		Requirements
		1. Provide minimum logged evidence over the last 2 years: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Personal – 10 days (all must be discipline specific)</li> <li>• Instruction/Guiding – 6 days (at least half must be discipline specific, the other half can be general teaching, guiding or instruction)</li> </ul> 2. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months
CANOE / KAYAK / SEA KAYAK		
BCU/UKCC Qualification	NZOIA Qualification	Requirements
BCU Inland Coach Level 2 <i>(old scheme)</i>	Kayak Leader	1. Provide minimum logged evidence of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10 days (min 4 hours duration) kayaking in a variety of areas</li> <li>• 5 days experience as a leader on flat or sheltered water</li> </ul> 2. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months

BCU (UKCC) Level 2	Kayak Leader	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hold BCU (UKCC) Sheltered Inland Water Endorsement</li> <li>2. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months</li> </ol>
BCU Inland Coach Level 3 <i>(old scheme)</i>	Kayak 1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Provide minimum logged evidence of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 20 sessions teaching rolling</li> <li>• 10 flat water teaching sessions</li> <li>• 10 moving water teaching sessions</li> <li>• 20 river trip sessions including 10 Grade 3 river trips or hold BCU 5 Star award</li> <li>• A further 10 skills teaching sessions on either flat or moving water</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Hold NZOIA/WWNZ River Rescue 1 Certificate</li> <li>3. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Demonstrate rolling on both sides on Grade 2 water</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
BCU (UKCC) Level 3 White Water	Kayak 1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hold the BCU Moderate White Water Endorsement or Moderate White Water Kayak Coach</li> <li>2. Hold BCU White Water Safety &amp; Rescue Course Endorsement or NZOIA/WWNZ River Rescue 1 Certificate</li> <li>3. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months</li> </ol>
BCU Inland Coach Level 4 / 5 <i>(old scheme-Coach Level 5 discontinued but still recognised)</i>	Kayak 2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Provide logged evidence of instructing <b>intermediate/advanced</b> kayak skills as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10 sessions teaching rolling</li> <li>• 10 flat water sessions</li> <li>• 20 moving water sessions</li> <li>• 10 sessions play boating</li> <li>• 10 sessions slalom</li> <li>• 10 sessions river rescue</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Evidence of A4 or A5 (inland) assessor status</li> <li>3. Hold BCU Advanced White Water Safety &amp; Rescue Course Endorsement or NZOIA/WWNZ River Rescue 2 Certificate</li> <li>4. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months</li> </ol>
BCU (UKCC) Level 3-4	Kayak 2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hold BCU Advance White Water Endorsement or Advanced White Water Kayak Coach or hold Advanced White Water Kayak Leader together with Moderate White Water Coach.</li> <li>2. Hold BCU Advanced White Water Safety &amp; Rescue Course Endorsement or NZOIA/WWNZ River Rescue 2 Certificate</li> <li>3. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months</li> </ol>
BCU Inland Coach Level 2 <i>(old scheme)</i>	Sea Kayak Leader	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months</li> </ol>

BCU (UKCC) Level 2	Sea Kayak Leader	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hold BCU (UKCC) Moderate Tidal Sea Endorsement</li> <li>2. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months</li> </ol>
BCU Sea Coach Level 4/5 <i>(old scheme)</i>	Sea Kayak 1 (includes the Sea Kayak Guide qualification)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Provide minimum logged evidence of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 35 personal trips of which 2 must be minimum 3 days duration</li> <li>• 15 days experience on trips working for a commercial operator</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Hold Coastal Navigation &amp; Tidal Planning Training Certificate or NZ Day Skippers Certificate</li> <li>3. Hold the NZ Coastguard Boating Education VHF operators certificate</li> <li>4. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months</li> </ol>
BCU (UKCC) Sea Level 3/4	Sea Kayak 1 (includes the Sea Kayak Guide qualification)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hold the BCU (UKCC) Moderate Tidal Sea Endorsement</li> <li>2. Hold Coastal Navigation &amp; Tidal Planning Training Certificate or NZ Day Skippers Certificate</li> <li>3. Hold the NZ Coastguard Boating Education VHF operators certificate</li> <li>4. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months</li> </ol>
BCU Sea Coach Level 4/5 <i>(old scheme)</i>	Sea Kayak 2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In addition to the requirements for Sea Kayak 1 above, an additional log of 90 sessions training: leaders / guides / instructors</li> <li>2. Hold BCU (UKCC) Open Water Navigation &amp; Tidal Planning and Training Certificate or NZ Boat Masters Certificate</li> <li>3. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months</li> </ol>
BCU (UKCC) Level 3/4	Sea Kayak 2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hold the BCU (UKCC) Advanced Water Sea Endorsement</li> <li>2. Hold BCU (UKCC) Open Water Navigation &amp; Tidal Planning and Training Certificate or NZ Boat Masters Certificate</li> <li>3. Hold an NZ Coastguard Boating Education VHF Certificate</li> <li>4. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months</li> </ol>
BCU Level 2 Open Canoe <i>(old scheme)</i>  BCU (UKCC) Level 2	Canoe Leader	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hold the Sheltered Inland Water Endorsement</li> <li>2. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months</li> </ol>
BCU Level 3 Open Canoe Level 3 & 5 Star <i>(old scheme)</i>	Canoe 1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hold NZOIA/WWNZ River Certificate</li> <li>2. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months</li> </ol>

BCU (UKCC) Level 3 Open Canoe	Canoe 1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hold BCU (UKCC) Advanced White Water Canoe Endorsement</li> <li>2. Must hold BCU White Water Safety &amp; Rescue Course Certificate or NZOIA/WWNZ River Certificate</li> <li>3. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months</li> </ol>
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<b>MOUNTAIN / BUSH / ROCK / CANYON</b>		
<b>UK Qualification</b>	<b>NZOIA Qualification</b>	<b>Extra Requirements</b>
MLTB Summer	Bush 1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months including: Demonstrating <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fire lighting in adverse conditions</li> <li>• All aspects of river crossing detailed in the Bush 1 syllabus</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
MLTB Winter	Alpine 1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Complete MSC Avalanche Skills Course 2 (ASC 2)</li> <li>2. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months including demonstrating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anchors and belaying off these</li> <li>• Abseiling off snow anchors</li> <li>• Hand lines for security on steep ground</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
MLTB Single Pitch Award	Rock 1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months including demonstrating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lead climbing a Grade 15 sports route, set it up for top rope climbing session, and clean the route of gear at the end of the session</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
Mountain Instructor Award (MIA)	Rock 2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Provide minimum logged evidence of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 80 days climbing including:</li> <li>• 50 days personal lead climbing including multi-pitch, and</li> <li>• 10 days teaching lead climbing on places and natural protection</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months including demonstrating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leading a Grade 20 climb on placed protection or bolts</li> <li>• Leading, setting up, and cleaning a sports route</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
International Mountain Leader (BAIML)	Alpine 1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Complete MSC Avalanche Skills Course 2 (ASC 2)</li> <li>2. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months including demonstrating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Crampon use on slopes in non-technical terrain where a rope is not normally required</li> <li>• Using an ice axe for step cutting</li> <li>• Teaching the use of an ice axe to aid walking, including self-arresting on easy snow slopes</li> </ul> </li> </ol>

Mountain Instructors Certificate (MIC)	Alpine 2	To be confirmed
<b>MGA Qualification</b>	<b>NZOIA Qualification</b>	<b>Requirements</b>
IFMGA Guide	Alpine 2	1. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months
	Bush 2	1. Provide minimum logged evidence of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 20 personal days experience within the scope of the Bush 2 Syllabus</li> </ul> 2. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months including facilitating an interactive teaching session on one of the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• River crossing</li> <li>• Flora and fauna in the Bush environment</li> </ul>
	Rock 2	1. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months
NZMGA Climbing Guide	Alpine 2	1. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months
	Bush 2	1. Provide minimum logged evidence of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 20 personal days experience within the scope of the Bush 2 Syllabus</li> </ul> 2. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months including facilitating an interactive teaching session on one of the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• River crossing</li> <li>• Flora and fauna in the Bush environment</li> </ul>
	Rock 2	1. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months
NZMGA Assistant Climbing Guide	Alpine 2	1. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months
	Bush 2	1. Provide minimum logged evidence of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 20 personal days experience within the scope of the Bush 2 Syllabus</li> </ul> 2. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months including facilitating an interactive teaching session on one of the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• River crossing</li> <li>• Flora and fauna in the Bush environment</li> </ul>
	Rock 2	1. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months including demonstrating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Climbing to standard required on the assessment (up to Grade 20 placed protection)</li> <li>• Facilitating an interactive teaching session on lead climbing progressions</li> </ul>

SOA Qualification	NZOIA Qualification	Requirements
SOA Canyon 2	NZOIA Canyon 2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hold the SOA Trip Leader Qualification</li> <li>2. Be 20 years old or over</li> <li>3. Provide minimum logged evidence as outlined in the current Canyon 2 Scope and Syllabus</li> <li>4. Pass a one day RCC assessment within 12 months including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Delivery of a teaching session on any topic or skills contained within the NZOIA Canyon 1 or 2 syllabuses</li> <li>• Demonstrating safe and efficient guiding in terrain above V3A3II</li> <li>• Demonstrating a rope rescue</li> <li>• Building an anchor using natural features</li> <li>• Demonstrating, identifying or describing when, where and what bolts can be used for safe and effective travel in the canyon environment</li> </ul> </li> </ol>

\* BCU (UKCC) - A comparison of the BCU award standards completed in March 2016 due to the 2007 changes to their framework. The "BCU" web site and the overseeing body "British Canoeing" web site was referred to and some anomalies on information, relating to the Coach Levels 4 & 5 awards was found. There is no longer a Level 5 Coach but the "BCU" site still has references to it and they will continue recognising pre 2007 awards. A very useful resource is the "BCU Terms of Reference for Coaches and Leaders" template outlining the qualification framework, which helps give a clear picture of the scheme and refers to the old awards as, BCU (old scheme) & the current awards BCU (UKCC). Both options used in the NZOIA matrix.