

# Lions Ski Club Getting Involved: - Instructing & Coaching Pathways explained.

Most Lions Ski Club Instructors hold qualifications to instruct with Snowsport England, the National Governing Body for English skiing. If you decide to volunteer in Lions there are two possible training pathways.

## Development Pathway

The Development pathway trains you to instruct or coach recreational skiers.

The Level 1 Instructor Alpine is trained to work with novice skiers on artificial slopes in the UK.

[http://snowsportengland.org.uk/level\\_1\\_instructor\\_alpine](http://snowsportengland.org.uk/level_1_instructor_alpine)

The Level 2 Instructor Alpine is trained to work with skiers up to Advanced level on artificial slopes in the UK.

[http://snowsportengland.org.uk/level\\_2\\_instructor\\_alpine](http://snowsportengland.org.uk/level_2_instructor_alpine)

The Level 3 Coach is trained to work on a long term basis with skiers planning, developing or modifying a programme on artificial slopes in the UK rather than just teaching single lessons

[http://snowsportengland.org.uk/level\\_3\\_coach\\_alpine](http://snowsportengland.org.uk/level_3_coach_alpine)

The Level 4 Coach holds an internationally recognised qualification able to operate worldwide with skiers from novice to advanced level

[http://snowsportengland.org.uk/level\\_4\\_coach\\_alpine](http://snowsportengland.org.uk/level_4_coach_alpine)

## Performance Pathway

The Performance pathway trains you to work with performance skiers training to compete in races.

The UKCP coach Level 1 is trained to work with children age 5 to 12 and novice competitors.

<http://snowsportengland.org.uk/node/227>

The UKCP coach level 2 is trained to work with more skilled athletes both on artificial slopes and within a club in a mountain environment.

<http://snowsportengland.org.uk/node/228>

The UKCP coach level 3 is an expert coach, able to take on the role of a club head coach, leading a team of coaches at club level and able to assist with the national team.

<http://snowsportengland.org.uk/node/229>

The UKCP coach Level 4 is intended for coaches working at an international level.

<http://snowsportengland.org.uk/node/230>

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For both the Development and the Performance pathways you also need to complete the following steps:	
<b>Recruitment Interview:</b>	Express your interest to a club committee member and have a recruitment interview with the Child Welfare Officer and Head Coach or their deputy
<b>Join Snowsport England:</b>	Membership of Snowsport England provides your insurance cover, this usually occurs as part of your first Level 1 Instructor training course.
<b>First Aid Certificate:</b>	This may be a 3-hour emergency first aid, or a two day outdoor first aid, depending upon the level of instructor qualification. This needs to be refreshed every three years
<b>Disclosure &amp; Barring Check:</b>	To apply for a Disclosure & Barring Check follow the link: <a href="http://snowsportengland.org.uk/node/445">http://snowsportengland.org.uk/node/445</a>
<b>Safeguarding Children Course:</b>	This needs to be equivalent to a Sportscoach UK course <a href="http://www.sportscoachuk.org/site-tools/workshops/about-our-workshops/safeguarding-and-protecting-children">http://www.sportscoachuk.org/site-tools/workshops/about-our-workshops/safeguarding-and-protecting-children</a> This needs to be refreshed every three years
<b>Instructor Refreshers:</b>	Every three years you are required to attend an appropriate course to update and refresh the instructor qualification.

Lions Ski Club acknowledge that the information on this page has been adapted from content on the Snowsport England website. Lots more information on getting involved can be found on their website at: [http://snowsportengland.org.uk/coaching\\_and\\_leading](http://snowsportengland.org.uk/coaching_and_leading)