

# Recognition of foreign coaching qualifications.

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Only archery coaches with qualifications recognised by Archery Ireland should operate as archery coaches in Ireland. The primary method for a coach to attain this recognition is by completing an Archery Ireland accredited coaching award approved by Coaching Ireland.

However with efforts in developing the Archery Ireland coaching pathway, Recognised Prior Learning (RPL) is being introduced. In the case of an archery coach wishing to coach in Ireland that possesses coaching qualifications administered by a recognised foreign archery organisation (ie, World Archery), those qualifications can then be recognised by Archery Ireland once all below criteria have been confirmed (in writing) and fully reviewed.

**Proof of the qualification held must be submitted, this will include:**

- **Identification Document** - Driving Licence, Passport or National ID card.
- **Copy of the certificate for coaching award(s) held.** If you have no such certificates a letter from the awarding body/bodies setting out the coaching awards held.
- **Copy of the syllabus** for highest coaching awards held.

**Further Criteria:**

- **Must** be an Archery Ireland member.
- Qualification **Must** have been accredited from World Archery or a National Governing body which is a member of World Archery.
- **Must** have valid Safeguarding 1 uploaded to JustGo.
- **Must** have valid Garda Vetting. This must be obtained through their Archery Ireland Clubs.
- Further documents may be requested if needed to confirm validity of documents.
- Professionally translated copies of these documents may be requested if required.

Please note that regardless of the level of qualification awarded by a foreign body, Archery Ireland cannot award a coach with an award at a higher level than the Archery Ireland coaching awards currently active and approved.

As Archery Ireland works with Coaching Ireland on expanding Archery Ireland Coaching awards, the AI Exec will endeavour to identify additional foreign qualifications to be mapped and recognised by Coaching Ireland. Further details to be issued once we are able to commence this process.

Any member wishing to have their RPL recognised is invited to email [coaching@archery.ie](mailto:coaching@archery.ie) or reply to this email,

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