

ASQ L2 Certificate in Coaching Golf (Sessional Coach) Qualification Specification

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About Us

Associated Sports Qualifications (ASQ) is an Ofqual, Qualification Wales, and Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA Accreditation) approved awarding organisation providing a qualification awarding service to National Governing Bodies of sport or recognised Lead Bodies within the sport and leisure industry. We are based on the site of The Belfry Hotel, near Sutton Coldfield, at the home of the Professional Golfers' Association National Training Academy.

An Independent Limited Liability Partnership, ASQ provides a high-quality awarding service for qualifications within the sport and leisure industry working with key industry partners. Our current member partners are <u>The Professional Golfers' Association</u> (The PGA).

Approved by the above regulators we are committed to ensuring high standard, cost effective quality assurance on behalf of our partners, customers and learners.

ASQ's Vision:

A highly qualified Sports & Leisure Workforce able to meet the needs of its customers and participants.

ASQ's Mission:

To provide Governing Bodies (GB) for sport, Lead Bodies (LB) for sport and sport-related networks and organisations with qualifications and awards which are relevant and fit for purpose through a quality assured and cost-effective awarding service.

We aim to provide a service to sport 'National Governing Bodies' or sport 'Lead Bodies' and sport related networks and organisations that have:

- A strong desire to influence the content and quality of qualifications within their own sport to ensure that they are fit for purpose.
- A desire and capability to provide the necessary expertise to facilitate the development, implementation, and ongoing monitoring of the qualifications.
- The capacity to deliver and assess the qualifications to the required ASQ and regulatory standards.

Qualification number

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ASQ L2 Certificate in Golf Coaching (Sessional Coach) qualification

This qualification, ASQ L2 Certificate in Coaching Golf (Sessional Coach) is an occupational related qualification which focuses on those wishing to deliver focused golf coaching sessions using effective coaching behaviours and purposeful activities to support participant development and engagement. The qualification provides candidates with an opportunity to study and be assessed in both the practical and theoretical aspects of a Sessional Golf coach.

A Sessional Coach typically work autonomously, therefore is primarily responsible for planning, delivering, reviewing, and evaluating engaging and focused coaching sessions for both new and existing golfers of all ages and abilities. While the role is typically based at a golf club or facility, it may also extend to community settings, schools, or outreach environments as needed.

As a result of successfully attaining the qualification, candidates will understand the role of the Sessional Coach and will have developed the skills and knowledge to design, deliver and adapt focused golf coaching sessions to meet the participants needs, while continuously reflecting on and improving their practice.

The qualification has been developed in partnership with The Professional Golfers' Association (PGA), Sports structures and ASQ. The qualification has been based on the current CIMPSA coach standards.

Title	ASQ L2 Certificate in Coaching Golf (Sessional Coach)	
Qualification Overview	This qualification, ASQ L2 Certificate in Coaching golf (Sessional Coach) equips candidates with the skills and knowledge to design, deliver and adapt golf coaching sessions to meeting participants needs.	
Prerequisites	Candidates must be at least 18 years of age on registration for the qualification. Have a commitment to attend the workshops and assessment day (day 2 workshop to be held during residential week). Be actively coaching approximately 2 hours per week. Must have successfully completed year 2 of The PGA Foundation degree before commencing the ASQ L2 Certificate in coaching golf (sessional coach). Be able to undertake this assessment in English. *Approved Delivery Centres to ensure all candidates meet entry criteria.	

Qualification regulation/accreditation number	TBC	
Qualification regulation/accreditation code	N/A	
Guided Learning Hours	27	
TQT	130	
Operational start date	19 September 2025	
Review date	1 st September 2028	
Learner registration period	It is expected that candidates will complete all aspects of the assessment for the qualification and apply for certification within the 2-year registration period. Candidates who are unable to complete their assessment within this period may apply, via their approved delivery centre to extend their registration for extenuating circumstances. The agreement will be subject to approval by ASQ and the PGA and based on individual circumstances. Candidates are required to source a player for the assessment day who must be able to play golf to a standard whereby they will, or a regular basis, score somewhere between 80 and 100 (on a par 72 course). They will require their own clubs, golf shoes and other suitable clothing and equipment on the day').	
Qualification objective	This qualification qualifies learners to become a golf sessional coach	
Qualification purpose	Prepare for employment in a specific occupational area.	
Registration remit	This qualification specification is for candidate registrations within England, and Ireland. A separate qualification specification exists for registrations in Scotland and Wales. Candidates must provide identification for registration purposes.	
RPL	N/A	

Qualification Progression The skills and knowledge developed within this qualification will allow candidates to progress to the next stages of their foundation degree. The sessional coaching qualification must be obtained to allow candidates to progress their development onto the PGA full membership journey.

Grading Methods This qualification will be graded Competent/Not yet Competent (pass/fail)

Assessment Methods

The assessment methods used in this qualification are: - Short answer assessment (various question types such as MCQ, drop down selection and true and false answers) a practical

demonstration and explanation of a golf shot and a 30-minute coaching assessment followed by professional discussion. Mandatory assessment forms to be completed and assessed include risk assessment, player profile, and Explanation and Demonstration assessment form (see assessment strategy for further details).

Qualification Structure

Candidates must successfully complete all mandatory units to achieve this qualification.

Mandatory units

Unit 1 Title	Roles and Responsibilities of a sessional coach	
Unit Aim	To equip candidates with the skills and knowledge of	
	the sessional coach role and responsibilities.	
Unit Assessment methods	Module online short answer assessment and	
	practical assessment	

Unit 2 Title	Creating a positive coaching environment
Unit Aim	To equip candidates with the skills and knowledge of
	how to create inclusive and safe learning environment to support player engagement and
	development.
Unit Assessment methods	Module online short answer assessment and
	practical assessment

Unit 3 Title	The coaching session; planning, delivery and review	
Unit Aim	Equip candidates with the skills and knowledge to	
	plan, prepare and review structured purposeful	
	coaching sessions, adapting to player needs.	
Unit Assessment methods	Module online short quiz and practical assessment	

Unit 4 Title	Analysing performance in preparation for tailored feedback
Unit Aim	Understand and apply performance analysis and effective feedback to improve player performance
Unit Assessment methods	Module online short quiz and practical assessment/professional discussion at the end of the assessment day.

Unit 5 Title	Technical and tactical requirements	
Unit Aim	Equip candidates with the knowledge skills and understanding of impact factors and ball flight effects to develop a player's performance.	
Unit Assessment methods	Presentations, explanation and demonstration practical assessment/ professional discussion at the end of the assessment day.	

Optional Units

This qualification is delivered holistically; there are no optional units in this qualification.

Limits of responsibility

Approved Delivery Centres must ensure that candidates understand that they may need additional training, qualifications and support if coaching in specific sporting environments such as schools and

communities or circumstances that challenge the experience of the candidate, for example when working with players with a disability.

Guidance for candidates with particular needs - reasonable adjustments

ASQ endeavours to ensure that the assessment requirements and methods used within its qualifications are sufficiently flexible to enable the widest range of learners to achieve the qualification fairly and reliably. Learners who have a specific learning need should be referred to the *Guidance for Candidates with Particular Assessment Needs-* ASQ Reasonable adjustment policy.

ASQ ensures that any specific arrangements made by *Centres* to accommodate learners' needs are valid and reliable and fair to other learners requirements of the qualification. *Centres* need to ensure that learners are not given an unfair advantage or that other learners are disadvantaged by any adjustment to assessments to accommodate learners' specific needs.

Centres should refer to their 'ASQ Approved Centre Handbook', which contains the processes that centres should refer to when delivering the ASQ Coaching in Golf qualifications.

NB. If a candidate fails to disclose a particular need prior to undertaking the assessment modules of the qualification that subsequently is shown to have directly contributed to their failure to achieve required competencies the candidate will be eligible for two further assessment attempts to achieve the required standard.

Certification

When learners have successfully achieved all the elements of the qualification and all evidence has been checked and quality assured, Approved Delivery *Centres* can contact ASQ for certification submitting the form H15 Certificate request form (or equivalent) where direct claims status exist.

External verification of assessment will be conducted by ASQ to ensure claims for certificate are valid.

Additional Qualification requirements.

The recognised centre is required to have one or more delivery sites with facilities to support the programme of training as stated below.

Theory sessions	Practical sessions
Conference room and break out rooms appropriate to the size of group	Putting Green
Flip Chart, Pens, Post-its	Practice Bunker
Projector	Practice Ground (i.e. Driving Range)
All delivery sites must include the following:	Chipping Green

Car parking and toilets	Selection of clubs (left and right-handed)
	Sufficient supply of balls

In exceptional circumstances (for example, geographical location, extreme weather conditions or where there are accessibility issues), a Centre may use adaptive equipment (e.g Tri-golf, or SNAG including plastic clubs and soft balls to support the continued delivery of the qualification.

Candidates are responsible for ensuring themselves and any participants they are to coach are equipped for the assessment having the appropriate clothing and safety equipment (where relevant) for the

Workforce requirements.

Recommended ratio for the delivery of workshops and assessment.

Workshops, Max 1 tutor: 10 candidates
Assessment day 1 tutor: 5 candidates.
Minimum 1 tutor: 3 candidates
For 10+ learners it is recommended to have two tutors present to aid facilitation.
Virtual learning classrooms: No minimum or maximum capacity.

Providing coaching to golfers, at whatever level, is a responsible role. There are high expectations in relation to coach and player conduct, and that behaviour must be understood and supported by every learner (trainee coach) undertaking this qualification.

The qualification is designed to be delivered holistically via a mix of face-to-face training, virtual classroom and development tasks and can be complemented by structured online learning. The ASQ L2 Certificate in Coaching Golf (Sessional Coach) includes appropriate emphasis on the practical aspects of the coaching role combined with the theoretical and technical knowledge and understanding of coaching and the sport.

The learning programme for this qualification should include the following key aspects:

- **Initial assessment** of the learner, to recognise any prior learning / experience relevant to the qualification; and, to identify any learning support needs.
- **Induction** to ensure learners understand the requirements of the qualification, how the qualification will be managed by the centre and what the expectations and aspirations are of them.
- **Training opportunities** face-to-face, virtual classroom and online training opportunities delivered by appropriately skilled and qualified tutors.
- **Practice opportunities** where candidates can put into practice aspects of the training either in a formative manner during learning workshops or within a 'real' coaching situation at their location of work and during the assessment day.
- **Learner development opportunities** support and guidance from centres to assist candidates in their development of the appropriate knowledge and understanding for the qualification.
- **Assessment opportunities** formal opportunities for learners to evidence the requirements of the qualification followed by professional discussion.

Summary

Attainment of the qualification is through:

Completion of all the outcomes and assessment criteria in the qualification and assessment strategy to include.

- ➤ The assessment of one 30-minute practical coaching session assessment followed by professional discussion at the end of the assessment day.
- ➤ A 15-minute explanation and demonstration task.
- Completed assessment forms/audio alternative such as player profile (includes a session plan) and risk assessment for the coaching session, and selfreflection/evaluation form.
- ➤ The achievement of 80% or more for each of the 6 open book online short answer assessments (various question types such as MCQ, drop down selection and true and false answers)

This learning programme consists of eLearning, virtual learning classrooms, presentation (explanation and demonstration) and coaching sessions.

Whilst candidates deliver the sessions during assessment days, there may be occasions where video submissions will be permitted. This may be the case for overseas trainees unable to travel for cost/visa reasons, reasonable adjustments and extenuating circumstances agreed by The PGA and ASQ.

Equally where the completion of written forms of assessment (such as self-evaluation and player profiles) will prohibit a candidate from completing the assessment, audio versions meeting the same requirements of the written forms may be submitted (with former prior agreement from The PGA and ASQ)

Candidates may use technical equipment to aid their delivery of explanation and demonstrations however these must be sourced, set up and checked by the candidate themselves prior to starting the assessment. No additional marks will be granted for the use of such equipment as the qualification is not graded, candidates will receive a competent/not yet competent result only.

ASQ L2 Certificate in Coaching Golf (Sessional coach) Assessment Strategy

Qualification Title(s)	ASQ L2 Certificate in Coaching Golf (sessional coach)
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Introduction

The purpose of this assessment strategy is to set out the recommendations and specifications for the assessment and quality assurance of our ASQ Certificate in Coaching Golf (Sessional Coach)

This strategy should be used in conjunction with any additional guidance documents related to the specific qualification such as candidate and assessor/QA guidance.

The following sections outline ASQ specific requirements regarding:

- Overall assessment requirements to successfully attain the qualification including skills and knowledge.
- > The assessment environment.
- > The use and requirements for simulation assessment
- > External and internal quality control
- ➤ The required occupational expertise of assessors and verifiers.
- Prescribed units and assessment criteria

These recommendations and specifications are in addition to the generic principles that awarding bodies must meet, such as our conditions of recognition.

Assessment requirements

Certification of the ASQ L2 Certificate in Coaching Golf (Sessional Coach) requires learners to demonstrate competence in all aspects of the elements within the qualification. The qualification uses a blended assessment model that includes written responses, real-world coaching practice, and technical presentations. This ensures coaches are evaluated in authentic environments and can apply their knowledge effectively in practice.

Specifically, assessments required to successfully attain the ASQ L2 Certificate in Coaching Golf – (Sessional Coach) consist of;

- Online restricted timed x 6 module assessments (online short answer assessments (pass rate 80%).
- Deservation of performing a 30-minute assessment followed by a professional discussion where criteria may have not been observed. The content of the assessment will relate to the safe planning, delivery, and review of this coaching session inclusive of risk assessment, player profile and self-evaluation all of which will require observation of meeting 21 assessment criteria linked to 5 statements relating to:
 - 1. Safe Practice
 - 2. Lesson structure and approach
 - 3. Communication skills
 - 4. Technical knowledge
 - Reflective practice/Self evaluation
- > Delivery of an explanation and demonstration shot (Observation & Analysis)

The Assessment environment.

The recognised centre is required to have one or more assessment sites with facilities to support the programme of assessment as stated below; (where resources are available and where safe and appropriate to do so some assessments can be held indoors as well as outdoors)

Practical Workshop Requirements		
General	Theory sessions	Practical sessions
Food and Beverage - Restaurant / Catering	Conference room and break out rooms appropriate to the size of group	Under cover bays / Practice Ground (i.e. Driving Range) with lighting and balls supplied
	Flip Chart, Pens, Post-its	Short Game Area including space to Pitch, Chip and play bunker shots
	Projector	Putting Green

In addition, candidates will require remote access to laptop/desktop to complete modular assessments, and gain required knowledge via the virtual learning classrooms and online learning platform content.

Modular short answer/MCQ assessments

This method of assessments involves the use of pre-set banks of short answer/MCQ questions conducted online. These banks of questions will assess candidates' knowledge of specific unit assessment criteria. The questions will be rotated on an automated basis. (Paper versions will be compiled for contingency/reasonable adjustment requests).

A bank of questions will be prepared for each unit/assessment specified, together with the anticipated key points of knowledge required in response.

The questions and anticipated key points of knowledge required in response must consider the contexts within the golf industry.

After completion of the online assessment a percentage result will be displayed. Candidates will also be advised if they have achieved the minimum benchmark required to pass or if they need to resit the exam. As a summative assessment no feedback will be given.

Candidates will be given the opportunity to resit immediately which will be the full exam. Candidates will have x3 attempts to meet the minimum benchmark of 80%.

Practical coaching Assessment (30 minute)

Candidates will be assessed on the delivery of a 30-minute full swing coaching assessment, with candidates bringing their own players to deliver the session to (their coachee). A player profile and completed risk assessment form will be used to collect the required evidence in relation to the preparation of the session. Candidates are additionally assessed on the session delivery, which will include a self-evaluation.

The assessor will complete a professional discussion to provide the candidate with the outcome of the assessment.

The selected player (coachee)is required to regularly score between 80 and 100 on a par 72 course and to bring their own clubs, shoes, and suitable clothing.

Explanation/ demonstration assessment

Candidates will be assessed on their ability to analyse, explain and communicate the technical aspects of a randomly selected short game shot. The candidate must demonstrate a clear understanding of ball flight characterises, impact factors and technique and be able to present this knowledge effectively and accurately.

Specifically, candidates will be required to give a description of the typical location of the golf course the selected shot will be played on, identify the types of clubs used for the shot with justification for their selection, explain the ball flight characteristics for the shot and the relevant impact factors of the shot and a breakdown of the technique required to produce the desired impact factors. Candidates may present single or multiple methods of variations for executing the shot.

Note: Candidates may utilise a live demonstration, video, simulation or visual aids (including tracking tools) to present their intended shot. It is the candidate's responsibility to bring any equipment they wish to use, to have the knowledge on how to utilise resources they select and to ensure it is in working order. Five minutes preparation time will be awarded to all candidates.

No prewritten notes will be permitted into the session (with the exception of any authorised for reasonable adjustment purposes which will not lend any advantages.

Reassessment Procedures

Candidates who are unsuccessful at the modular assessments will be given 2 further opportunities to resit. If after 3 attempts learners do not successfully achieve the required 80% pass mark in one or more of the online assessments, they will be required to pay a retake fee to restart the qualification.

Candidates who are unsuccessful at either the simulated coaching assessment (component 1) or Expo/Demo assessment (component 2) will be given one further opportunity to resubmit the appropriate portion of the assessment not yet achieved within their two-year registration period, carrying over any successful attainment from their first attempt. Candidates who do not achieve competence after the second and final attempts of each component will be required to retake the qualification.

Note: If a candidate fails to disclose a particular need prior to undertaking the assessment modules of the qualification, that subsequently is shown to have directly contributed to their failure to achieve required competencies, the candidate may be eligible for two further assessment attempts.

Requirements for roles in assessment and quality assurance:

This section defines the requirements for those involved in the assessment and internal and external quality assurance of this qualification. This extends to the tutor role who will be involved in the delivery, of the qualification.

The below guidance states the requirements for experience, occupational experience, assessment and/or quality assurance expertise and the requirement to hold qualifications.

Workforce requirements.

Tutor(s):

Approved Delivery Centres must ensure they have the appropriate workforce involved in the delivery, assessment, and quality assurance of ASQ qualifications. The following criteria are the minimum criteria that need to be met by those involved in the delivery, assessment, and quality assurance of the qualification.

- ➤ Provide evidence that they have a relevant tutoring qualification, (or evidence of working towards one) the minimum being the Level 3 Award in Education and Training, or equivalent qualification *e.g.*, Level 3 Preparing to teach in the lifelong learning sector, PGCE or Level 3 Certificate in Tutoring in Sport etc. with evidence of recent CPD (within 3 years)
- Have attended the relevant PGA learning programme orientation session(s), for the ASQ L2 Certificate in Coaching Golf (Sessional Coach).
- Able to demonstrate technical competence (and hold appropriate subject/sport qualification) in the subject area for which they are being employed to tutor.
- Must be able to provide evidence of the knowledge, understanding and application of the qualification and assessment criteria for the occupational area being assessed and the key skills at the appropriate level.
- ➤ Have excellent interpersonal skills and be able to communicate effectively with learners using a variety of mediums.
- Must be able to use plain language which is free from bias and appropriate to the qualifications.
- Must be committed to equal opportunities in assessment and can translate this commitment into practice.
- > Be a PGA qualified Professional.

Assessor(s): Assessors of the ASQ Certificate in coaching Golf (Sessional Coach) must:

- Have attended the relevant PGA learning programme orientation session(s), for the ASQ L2 Certificate in Coaching Golf (Sessional Coach)
- Have obtained appropriate qualification e.g., level 3 Award in Assessing Vocationally Related Achievement, Level 3 Certificate in Assessing Vocational Achievement or equivalent such as PGCE and appropriate CPD (within 3 years) or D32/A1 or above assessor awards pre 2010 edition and appropriate CPD (within 3 years)
- Experience of assessing/working towards one of the above assessor qualifications.
- Must be able to provide evidence of the knowledge, understanding and application of the qualification and assessment criteria for the occupational area being assessed and the key skills at the appropriate level.
- Must be able to demonstrate technical competence (and hold an appropriate subject/sport qualification) in the subject area for which they are being employed to assess.
- Must be familiar with the awarding body's requirements in relation to conducting assessment, recording assessment decisions, and maintaining securely candidates' assessment records.
- Must be able to use plain language which is free from bias and appropriate to the qualifications.
- Must be committed to equal opportunities in assessment and can translate this commitment into practice.

Quality assurance

The quality assurance of qualifications is of paramount importance to ensuring the quality and standard of ASQ's qualifications is maintained across all Approved Delivery *Centres*. High quality learning environments, assessments and quality assurance practices within *Centres* is a key driver of the success of ASQ's qualifications. Good quality assurance procedures can lead to:

- improved learner experience
- increases in learner achievement.
- improved retention / completion rates
- cost-effective programmes for providers / organisations.

Candidates are to be assessed against the assessment criteria of the qualification using a combination of internal and external assessment.

Centres should plan for the quality assurance of programmes from the earliest stage of development and implementation. Good quality assurance procedures will ensure *Centres* meet ASQ's requirements and where appropriate can satisfy external organisation's requirements for quality vocational education and training. Quality assurance of qualifications applies to the:

- recruitment process
- > induction of learners into qualifications
- initial assessment of learners
- design of learning programmes
- delivery (teaching / tutoring) of the learning programme
- support of learners
- assessment strategy
- record keeping and monitoring of progress.
- achievement and certification of learners
- review and development of programmes / procedures.

Internal quality assurance

ASQ Approved Delivery Centres must have effective quality assurance policies and procedures in place to deliver ASQ qualifications. ASQ Approved Delivery Centres are responsible for the internal quality assurance of ASQ's qualifications. ASQ will provide external quality assurance.

Approved Delivery Centres must provide a plan ('when') for the quality assurance of the qualification and also detail the strategy to be used i.e., what sampling will be conducted and using what methods (observed practice and / or paper or desk-based). The plan should outline when the various quality assurance methods will be conducted, what standardisation activities are conducted and who will be involved in the internal quality assurance process. Sampling should include that of learners, range of assessors/tutors (if appropriate), methods of assessment, evidence and also the records of assessments conducted within the centre.

The Approved Delivery Centre manger is responsible for the internal quality assurance within a Approved Delivery Centre will need to ensure that all factors related to quality assurance are covered. This should include:

- Ensuring all quality assurance policies and procedures are 'fit for purpose'.
- > The plan and strategy for internal quality assurance is implemented, monitored, and revised where appropriate.
- Clear communication of the internal quality assurance procedures is known within the Centre; and effective communication is implemented with the appointed External Verifier / ASO
- Ensuring all personnel involved in the assessment of the qualification are appropriately qualified and conduct their own practice in accordance with the relevant Learning and Development National Occupational Standards and/or ASQ quality assurance process.

Internal Verifier(s)

Internal Verifiers are an important part of the workforce within a *Centre* and should work integral to the delivery workforce. The role of the IV is extremely important with a *Centre* and they should provide guidance and support to assessors as well as ensure the quality of assessment is maintained. The Approved Delivery centre is required to recruit and deploy approved Internal Quality Assurers. Approved IQA's are required to:

- Have current experience of conducting quality assurance in an education and training environment, and / hold a recognised quality assurance qualification such as the Level 4 Award in the Internal Quality Assurance of Assessment Processes and Practice or equivalent qualifications, for example, the V1 qualification or preceding D34 qualification or proof of registration to the qualification.
- Must be able to provide evidence of the knowledge, understanding and application of the qualification and assessment criteria for the occupational area being assessed and key skills at the appropriate level.
- Must have subject knowledge sufficient to support or challenge assessment decisions of the Assessors.
- Must be familiar with the approved centre and awarding body's requirements in relation to conducting assessment and internal verification, recording assessment and internal verification decisions and maintaining accurate internal verification records in a confidential manner.
- Must be able to use plain language which is free from bias and appropriate to the qualification.
- > Strong communication skills and the ability to work alone and as a team.
- Must be committed to equal opportunities in assessment and have the ability to translate this commitment into practice and a commitment to declare any conflict-of-Interest situation.
- Ability to manage time, prioritise work effectively and meet key deadlines

Note: Internal Verifiers cannot quality assure assessments that they have conducted.

Continuous Personal Development of those involved in the internal quality assurance process.

As is outlined for the delivery workforce, it is an expectation that the workforce involved in the quality assurance of qualifications within *Centres* remains current and continually delivers best practice relevant to the role. This commitment to continued good practice in the quality assurance of qualifications can include regulated or legislative requirements and/or standardisation events as well as dedicated opportunities to develop technical skills and knowledge relevant to the quality assurance role(s).

External Quality Assurance

External quality assurance for the qualification will be provided by ASQ; a nominated External Verifier (or EV) will be appointed by ASQ when a *Centre* is approved to deliver the qualification. External quality assurance will include:

- Approval of the *Centre* (initially and annually thereafter)
- Monitoring the delivery of the learning programme
- > Guidance and support to *Centres* in the delivery and assessment of the qualification
- Monitoring of assessment practice
- Monitoring of the internal quality assurance procedures.

ASQ conducts external quality assurance to ensure its qualifications are delivered, assessed and quality assured to the highest of standards. And specifically, to ensure that assessment practice within *Centres* is valid and reliable.

Guidance for learners with particular assessment needs.

ASQ endeavours to ensure that the assessment requirements and methods used within its qualifications are sufficiently flexible to enable the widest range of learners to demonstrate competence fairly and reliably.

We ensure that any special arrangements are valid and reliable and designed to accurately reflect candidates' competence and meet the assessment outcomes of the ASQ Certificate in Coaching Golf (Sessional Coach) qualification). Centres need to ensure candidates are not given an unfair advantage or that others think they are given an unfair advantage.

The ASQ approved handbook contains the following sections which centres should refer to as appropriate:

- > Equal opportunities in relation to access to, and fairness in assessment.
- Reasonable adjustments policy and procedures
- Special considerations policy and procedures.

Unit Title	1. Roles and Responsibilities of a Sessional Coach
Level (If relevant)	N/A
Credit Value	
Learning outcomes	Assessment criteria
The coach must be able to:	The learner can:
1.Understand the role of the Sessional Coach	1.1 Interpret the role of the sessional golf coach
	1.2 Recognise and demonstrate how to conduct
	themselves as a sessional golf coach and portray a professional image
	1.3 Identify the impact of the coach's role on the player
	experience
	1.4 Recognise how to develop their coaching philosophy
	1.5 Select ways to build a strong coach-player
	relationship (rapport)
2.Understand the responsibilities of the sessional golf coach	2.1 Differentiate between the responsibilities of an Activities Coach and Sessional Golf Coach
	2.2 Select legislation and sector guidance that influences coaching responsibilities
	2.3 Recognise organisational policies that influence
	their responsibilities as a sessional golf coach
	2.4 Describe the coach's responsibilities associated with player duty of care
	2.5 Provide examples of how they can make their coaching sessions inclusive
	2.6 determine the actions that they can take to create a
	safe coaching environment
	2.7 Choose appropriate stakeholders who play a role in the coaching process
	2.8 Recognise responsibilities when working with a wider coaching team

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	3.1 Recognise areas of strength and areas for
practice	development in their coaching practice
	3.2 Identify resources and sources of support to aid
	individual specific development
	3.3 Recommend factors that can influence the
	development of their coaching practice
	3.4 Prepare an individual development plan to support
	the development of their coaching practice
	3.5 Review their individual development plan
Additional Information about this unit	N/A
Unit purpose and aim(s)	Identify the roles and responsibilities of a sessional
	coach, and how it differs from that of the activities
	coach. Equipping candidates with the skills and
	knowledge to self-reflect and develop own personal
	development.
Indicative Content	
Assessment requirements or guidance	
specified by a sector or regulatory body (if	
appropriate	

Unit Title	2. Creating a positive coaching environment
Level (If relevant)	N/A
Credit Value	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Learning outcomes	Assessment criteria
Learning outcomes	The learner can:
	The learner can.
Know what inclusive coaching means	1.1 Recognise how to create an inclusive learning
and how different approaches can facilitate player engagement	environment
	1.2 Choose appropriate questioning techniques for different coaching scenarios
	1.3 Select strategies that support communication with different age groups or learning preferences
	1.4 Select appropriate coaching styles to suit different player needs
	1.5 Identify different methods of coaching that support player engagement
	1.6 Recognise the role of the coach-player relationship in maintaining engagement.
	1.7 Match coaching behaviours to their impact on player engagement
3. Understand how to maintain a safe coaching environment	3.1 Recognise the key health and safety responsibilities of a coach when delivering sessions
	3.2 Identify the moral and legal responsibilities of a sessional coach in maintaining a safe environment for all participants
	3.3 Recognise potential risks and hazards in a coaching environment and how to plan and manage them effectively
	3.4 Identify coaching strategies that can be used to reduce the risk of injury.
	3.5 Recognise how to respond to emergency procedures within a coaching environment
4. Know how to support player development	4.1 Identify the key information that a sessional golf coach needs to know about each individual player

	4.2 Recognise the key stages of participant development
	4.3 Select how different stages of participant development can influence coaching planning and delivery
	4.4 Identify ways a coach can support holistic player development
	4.5 Choose individuals or groups to build relationships with to support player development and performance
	4.6 Identify relevant player development theories and coaching models and how they relate to coaching practice
	4.7 Recognise how player development can be linked to national strategic agendas
Unit purpose and aim(s)	Equip candidates with the skills and knowledge to support and measure player development.
Indicative Content	
Assessment requirements or guidance specified by a sector or regulatory body (if appropriate	

Unit Title	3. The coaching session; planning delivery and review.
Level (If relevant)	N/A
Credit Value	
Learning outcomes	Assessment criteria
The coach must be able to:	The learner can:
1. Plan and prepare golf coaching sessions	1.1 Create a structured golf coaching session plan
	1.2 Identify the features of an effective session objective
	1.3 Utilise relevant sources of information to support the planning of a golf coaching session
	1.4 Gather relevant information about the player's background, goals and technical ability to inform session planning
	1.5 Review previous coaching sessions with the player to justify future coaching priorities
	1.6 Use the Coaching Framework to plan a coaching session clearly identifying:
	Relevant session objectives, purposeful coaching activities, and strategies to promote player engagement for planned coaching behaviours
	1.7 Produce a risk assessment based on hazards in the coaching environment
	1.8 Prepare the golf coaching environment
2. Deliver golf coaching sessions	2.1 Prepare the player(s) for the coaching session
	2.2 Organise and maintain a safe coaching environment
	2.3 Assess players' readiness to participate in the coaching session
	2.4 Facilitate structured session activities that align to the PAARSS principles and that contribute to achieving the session objectives

	2.5 Use appropriate methods to observe and analyse
	player performance
	2.6 Proactively and responsively adapt coaching activities to maintain challenge, safety and player engagement
	2.7 Encourage and maintain player engagement throughout the session
	2.8 Make relevant technical interventions based on observations of performance and the session objective?
	2.9 Use effective communication and coaching methods to respond to the needs of the player
	3.0 Conclude a golf coaching session by reviewing player performance session objectives
	3.1 Identify the purpose of performance analysis in a golf environment
	3.2 Recognise the performance areas that inform coaching analysis
	3.3 Recognise methods and tools to measure golfer performance
	3.4 Recognise techniques for effective observation in a coaching environment
	3.5 List key stages in the performance review process following analysis of performance
Additional Information about this unit	
Unit purpose and aim(s)	
Indicative Content	

Assessment requirements or guidance	
specified by a sector or regulatory body (if	
appropriate	

Unit Title	Unit 4 Analysing performance in preparation for tailored feedback
Level (If relevant)	
Credit Value	
Learning outcomes	Assessment criteria
The coach must be able to:	The learner can:
Understand and apply performance analysis in a golf coaching environment	1.1 Identify the purpose of performance analysis in a golf environment
	1.2 Recognise the performance areas that inform coaching analysis
	1.3 Recognise methods and tools to measure golfer performance
	1.4 Recognise techniques for effective observation in a coaching environment
	1.5 List key stages in the performance review process following analysis of performance
2. Understand effective feedback and coaching strategies to support player development	2.1 Recognise and apply ethical considerations when observing and providing feedback on performance
	2.2 Match coaching interventions to the appropriate motor learning stage
	2.3 Identify the principles of SMART goals and their application in measuring and developing player performance
	2.4 Recognise principles of effective feedback to support player development and performance
	2.5 Recognise the different types of feedback when analysing performance
	2.6 Recognise intervention methods when observing and analysing performance
	2.7 Identify individual factors that influence how feedback should be tailored to the golfer

Additional Information about this unit	
	Equip candidates with skills and knowledge in the strategies and tools available to conduct performance and technical analysis.
Indicative Content	
Assessment requirements or guidance specified by a sector or regulatory body (if appropriate	

Unit Title	Unit 5 Technical and tactical requirements.
Level (If relevant)	
Credit Value	
Learning outcomes	Assessment criteria
The coach must be able to:	The learner can:
	Identify and explain the impact factors that influence ball flight for a range of shots and skills
performance.	ball higheror a range of shots and skills
	Identify and explain the relevant ball flight issues that
	are pertinent to the player during the session.
Deliver technically appropriate	Provide relevant analysis and clear explanations of the
interventions based on analysis of a shot	impact factors demonstrated
	Explain appropriate interventions or adaptions that directly address the technical issues identified.
Additional Information about this unit	
Unit purpose and aim(s)	Equip candidates with skills and knowledge to conduct
	performance and technical analysis.
Indicative content	
Assessment requirements or guidance	
specified by a sector or regulatory body (if appropriate	
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