



NCFE Level 3 Certificate for the Outdoor Industry

Overview

Now in its 10th year, our NCFE is as popular as ever, attracting students of various ages (typically 16 – 50 years) and from all walks of life. Many are looking towards employment within the outdoor industry.

The course runs on **Thursdays and Fridays** from the end of September to the end of May and has the highest taught practical content of any comparable adult outdoor education provision that we know of—about 80%. This is supplemented by five highly relevant academic units, which, if completed successfully, lead to certification.

Running parallel to this are a wide range of national governing body (NGB) courses. These are the building blocks for a career as an outdoor instructor and are available to students at a **50% discount**.

Who is it for?

This course is ideal for anyone over 16 who is interested in a career in the outdoor industry, for personal development both physically and academically, to improve outdoor qualifications or for recreation as part of a lifestyle change. The student group is typically diverse in every way. No previous experience is necessary.

This course strongly complements the BTEC National Certificate in Sport – Outdoor Education, that runs on a Wednesday and at weekends.

Course fee: £395

Free to those in receipt of a state benefit and those under 19 years of age at the start of the course.

Resource and certification fee: £295

Everyone must pay this.

Academic Content

The course consists of 5 units of study. These are:

- Develop a Career Pathway in the Outdoor Industry
- Understand and Appreciate the Physical Environment
- Establish Effective Operational Procedures in the Outdoor Industry
- Deliver Experientially Based Outdoor Learning Sessions
- Deliver Coaching Sessions in an Outdoor Activity Context

Practical Content

We cover 5 main practical areas:

- Rock Climbing
- Mountain Walking
- Open Canoeing
- Kayaking
- Caving