

## Waka Ama Coaching Accreditation – Level 1

NKOA are developing a Coaching Strategy to ensure we have a pathway for Coaches and also to cater for the growing need for coaches within our sport.

The first step in this process is to develop an accreditation process that enables current coaches to be assessed and achieve NKOA certification. And also enables new and potential coaches to work towards certification.

We propose to hold a meeting for invited attendees (approved by NKOA) to discuss, determine and agree on the Certification content (Starting with Level 1)

The model we are proposing to develop will see NKOA appoint an Assessment group who will assess the potential coaches.

NKOA will own the assessment and ensure that all certification is standard.

### **Meeting to determine content:**

We would like to hold this meeting at the end of July or Early August.

Some names *proposed* for this hui are:

Carl Sheehan (Shaun)  
Cathy Dews  
Chris Strange  
Corrina Gage  
Cris Fox  
Conan Herbert  
George Pomana  
Hoturoa Kerr  
Howard Hyland  
Kiwi Campbell  
Lara Collins  
Matahi Brightwell  
Ngaire King  
Rik Minnhinick  
Waki Simons

This group will discuss, determine and agree on the content that the certificate (Level 1) will cover.

Some key areas have already been identified:

- Waka Ama Tikanga
- Safety
- Risk Management/Weather assessment
- Equipment/Preparation
- Paddling knowledge
- Steering knowledge
- Communication/Delivery/Leadership/Values
- Tipping/Towing
- First Aid
- Police vetting

It is proposed that prior learning can be taken into consideration through assessment

Each section within the certificate could be achieved as a part of the certification. Should one area fail then the individual would be able to have the one area assessed again in the future in order to achieve the certificate, rather than redoing the entire assessment.

**Assessment group appointed.**

NKOA will appoint an Assessment group who will be responsible for assessing potential coaches. And awarding certificates. The criteria for the assessment group appointment will be discussed and determined by NKOA.

Assessments could start as early as October 2011

**Level 2 and beyond:** further levels can be developed to provide ladders in the coaching pathway.

Hui to determine certificate content and assessment criteria July/August 2011

**NKOA LEVEL 1 Coaching Accreditation**

Level 1 Coaching certification is aimed at coaching of novices/ entry level paddlers to all ages

ASSESSMENT GROUP appointed to assess potential coaches

Assessment criteria for Level 1 advertised  
Dates advertised for assessments to take place in regions.  
Assessment's begin and certificates awarded