



Recognition of Prior Learning- RPL Policy

RPL is defined as: “A method of assessment (leading to the award of credit) that considers whether a learner can demonstrate that they can meet the assessment requirements for a unit through knowledge, understanding or skills they already possess and do not need to develop through a course of learning” Regulatory arrangements for the ‘Regulated Qualifications Framework’

The implementation of RPL prevents you from being repeatedly assessed for skills or knowledge you already possess, therefore, any previous achievements or relevant experiences obtained through various environments (e.g. formal work, at home and/or in leisure), are applicable for RPL consideration as long as the standards and requirements detailed in the unit specification and assessment criteria are met.

Credit will be awarded once you have successfully demonstrated and evidenced to the tutor you meet the learning outcomes and assessment criteria of the unit. Therefore the use of RPL is acceptable for accrediting a unit, units or whole qualification without you necessarily having to complete the course.

RPL is an alternative route and not a shortcut to attaining the qualification

Claiming RPL is the learner’s responsibility. Any claim for RPL is to be submitted against a whole unit or whole units only, partial completion of a unit or units cannot and will not be accepted nor credited. – In the event where a whole unit is not deemed fit for accreditation the learner will be given an action plan for re-assessment

To obtain RPL recognition you must contact The Excellent Performance Team (SwimEngland Approved Centre) - The Centre Key Contact / Lead Tutor who will look to assess you through a combination of assessment methods, initially this will be through the completion of an application form for RPL. A fee will be made to administer this application.

The learner may be assessed using a variety of methods including – production of a portfolio, video evidence, witness testimonies, CV. Once the initial assessment is made learners will be informed of the requirements for completing the programme via a personalised action plan

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