



International Sea Kayak Guide Association



6 week coastal guide training programme

Course Outline

Sea Kayaking Cornwall in association with the International Sea Kayak Guide Association (ISKGA) has developed a 6 week guide training programme. This programme is aimed at intermediate paddlers wishing to access the sea kayaking industry. At the end of the course you will have the experience and qualifications to run safe, enjoyable and informative journeys by sea kayak through a variety of environments and in a variety of conditions. The course will be based out of Falmouth using various locations in Cornwall to develop your guiding skills. You also have the opportunity to include a full set of guide kit with the course to make sure you are equipped ready for working in the industry. (SKC offer a 10% discount on all equipment purchased during the guide training programme)

Length:- 6 Weeks

Experience required:

Preferably the student will already hold a sea proficiency award (BCU 3*, EPP 3, ISKGA L3 certificate etc.) If you do not hold a sea proficiency award, you should be an intermediate paddler with good basic skills and a roll in flat water, an assessment can be run prior to the course being attended.

Programme: (This is an outline and will be subject to change due to the levels of the students and weather conditions)

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
Mon	Skills	Rescues	IM	Surf	Coaching (Prac)	Skills/ldr/ship recap
Tue	Skills	Towing	IM	Exped skills	Rough Water Skills + journey	Skills/ldr/ship recap
Wed	REC	Rescue/REC	IM	Exped skills	Planning and theory	Assessment Prep
Thu	REC	Surf	IM +N/Nav	Exped skills	Surf	Assessment
Fri	REC	Coastal planning	Sea Survival	Coaching Theory	Mock Assessment	Assessment
Sat	Experience	Experience	Experience	VHF	Off	recover
Sun	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off	!

Abbreviations:

REC Remote emergency care
 IM Incident Management
 CNTP Coastal Navigation & Tidal Planning
 Exped Expedition
 Pr/Prac Practical

(Programme content may vary slightly due to the level of candidates on the programme, weather conditions and other unforeseen events)

The course fee includes equipment hire (Kayak, Paddle, Spray deck, Buoyancy aid, Wetsuit, Cagoule), instruction and transport during the course.

Cost:

- £2995 course only
- £3595 course and self catering accommodation

Accommodation:

We have bunkhouse accommodation which is a self catering mixed dormitory. Some of the course will be conducted with over night camping out in the field but the majority will be based out of the same building as the accommodation.

Location and times:

Students can if they wish, arrive on the evening prior to the course starting. But the course will not officially meet until the following Monday at 0900 hrs. Where instructors and students can assemble and get to meet each other. Equipment will be issued and the programme discussed. The course programme will commence at 1000 hrs.

Sea Kayaking Cornwall is located on the edge of Falmouth. Follow signs to Falmouth which will take you past ASDA. Continue on until the next roundabout with the cannons on display. Take the second exit towards Buddock Water. Continue straight across the roundabout and after about 200m turn left into Tregoniggie Ind estate, after approximately 200 metres you will see us on the left hand side of the road.

What to bring:-

Any Paddling equipment you have

Any camping equipment you have

Logbook

Qualifications

Lots of warm clothes

Personal washing kit and towel

Flask

Camera!

We are looking forward to seeing you out on the water.