

Independent Coaches and Camps

The county is aware that coaches and camps are being operated across the county which are not directly related to Swim England affiliated clubs.

While we have no jurisdiction over these, we feel it is important to remind swimmers and parents of several key factors if attending these sessions –

- Is the coach and/or organisation registered / affiliated to Swim England?
- Is the coach registered with the Swim England coach and teacher register?
- Does the coach hold the relevant qualifications and enhanced DBS check?
- Is the relevant insurance in place?

We would strongly recommend that any swimmer looking to work with an independent coach or attend a swim camp discusses this with their own club coach. Our affiliated swim clubs and their coaches put a huge amount of time and effort into all their swimming members, and so their input is vital.

Please also be aware that these independent coaches will not be granted entry to any county competitions in a coaching capacity – all coaches, team managers and chaperones will need to be members of an affiliated club within the county. The process for poolside passes at county competitions will be tightened in 2022 where we will be looking to use an online system being run at national and regional levels.