

Baby and Pre-School

Ofqual Title: STA Level 2 Award in Aquatic Teaching - Baby & Pre-School (QCF)

SQA Title: STA Professional Award in Aquatic Teaching - Baby and Pre-School at SCQF Level 6

Aim

The **Baby and Pre-School** qualification aims to produce teachers that can teach aquatic activities, including paddle strokes to babies and pre-school children during adult and children lessons, and deliver the STA Starfish programme, as well as the Teddy Bear awards and up to the STANley Series of STA's **International Learn to Swim Programme**.

Pre-requisites

- Be of 18 years of age or older
- Hold current membership with STA
- Hold the **Pool Emergency Procedures** or acceptable equivalent
- Hold either the **Safeguarding Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adults** certificate (available online at www.trainsta.co.uk) or acceptable equivalent

Validity of Award

The qualification does not have an expiry date.

To remain as an STA approved swimming teacher, and to receive the benefit of STA public liability insurance, holders of the qualification are required to:

1. Remain in membership of the STA
2. Keep knowledge up to date with regular CPDs
3. Keep their prerequisite lifesaving qualification in date
4. Regularly update their CRB.

Length of Course

48 Notional Learning Hours:

- 24 Recommended Guided Learning Hours
- 24 Non-contact Guided Learning Hours

Course Information

The **Baby and Pre-School** qualification covers:

- Planning, Preparing and Teaching Swimming
- Baby and Pre-School Swimming

Assessment

- Complete a portfolio and worksheet questions the satisfaction of the course tutor
- Undertake at least 30 minutes of poolside teaching during the course
- Teach 15 minute lessons to 2-4 adult-child pairs
- Complete a 30 question multiple-choice paper with a unit pass mark of 11/15 per unit

Revalidation

This qualification does not require revalidation. However, STA recommends all members attend or complete CPDs to continuously update their knowledge and skills.