



Official newsletter of STA



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Join us at SPATEX 2016



At this year's SPATEX, STA's pool plant team will be holding a free seminar on Monday 1st Feb covering two important subjects: Legionella Risk and a Pool Plant Update, with the latter looking at new legislation coming in 2016 and the potential effect it may have on the industry. [See more here](#)

Important Update on Tutor Moderation

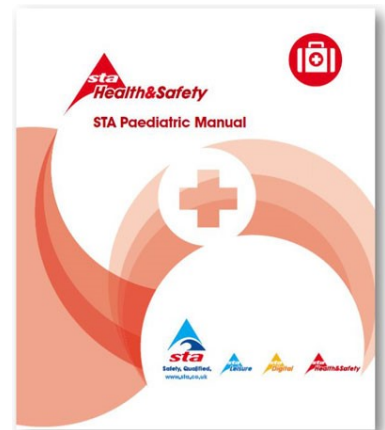
With effect from 1st February 2016, STA will oversee the process of moderating all tutors and examiners - [read all the details here](#).

Members Survey 2016

STA's new Sales & Marketing Director, Zoe Cooper, is currently reviewing the products and services offered to members - please spare 5 minutes to take part in our survey [here](#). As a further incentive, respondents will be entered into a prize draw to win a £100 gift voucher for the STA Swim-Shop!

New Emergency Paediatric First Aid Qualification

The new Emergency Paediatric First Aid qualification is now available. As a direct replacement for the Paediatric First Aid Foundation qualification, all existing first aid and lifesaving tutors are eligible to deliver this qualification.



Resources are available to download on STA Online with the manual purchasable from our Swim-Shop. For more information on the new qualification, [please click here](#).

STA Help Drive Pool Plant Industry Standards

National Occupation Standards (NOS) with Skills Active have approved new standards for pool plant safety, which reflect STA's qualification criterion. [Read more](#)

Message From Birthlight

As part of STA's ongoing partnership with Birthlight they would like us to make our baby and pre-school teachers aware of the following:

Water Parenting™ is a method developed by Dr Françoise Freedman, founder of Birthlight. As an anthropologist whose research at Cambridge University involved sharing the lives of Amazonian rainforest people in Peru, Françoise



was profoundly influenced by the care and support she received from them while she was pregnant with her first child and as a new mother. Water Parenting™ is a Birthlight trademark.

Swim with Me Returns to Colchester Pool

STANley made a splash recently when he visited Swim-With-Me, a Swim Star Swim School, for the reopening of their swimming classes at the Colchester Academy - [see here](#).

Swimtime Dives into Sports Direct Contract

Congratulations to Swimtime, who have been appointed to provide swimming lessons in Sports Direct-owned fitness clubs. The contract is expected to create more than 100 jobs for swimming teachers and an additional 3,500 children's swimming lessons across the UK, in the first year.



2016 Tutor Courses Planned

See the list of STA tutor courses planned so far for 2016 [here](#).

International Swim Star

In follow-up to [our previous report](#), STA is delighted that Baby iSwim Taiwan has joined the Swim Star Swim School programme. By signing up to Swim Star, Baby iSwim has committed to providing excellent standards of swimming teaching through the delivery of ILSP.

And Finally...

We've created a fun quiz for you to test what your swimming style is - are you a facilitator, instructor or colleague? Please note that it's just for fun, it's not scientifically backed and shouldn't be taken too seriously! Share your results on our Facebook page.

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