

OUTDOORS WA FORWARD PATHWAY

- *unlocking the implementation of the Industry Quality Framework*



BACKGROUND

The Western Australia Industry Quality Framework comprises three key components

- 1. Accreditation**
- 2. Activity Standards**
- 3. Leader Competence**

The alignment of these components provides a comprehensive model for risk management for both activity providers and policy makers looking to position industry standards. The model is encouraged by the recommendations of the Ministerial Taskforce Report into Adventure Tourism. The Adventure Activity Standards project has necessitated the development of leader competence schedules for the above activities.

Industry based Technical Working Committees will clarify the NOLRS competency schedules following analysis of the SR006 Outdoor Recreation Training Package before submitting them to the Outdoor Council of Australia for endorsement.

Once endorsed these schedules will become the basis for much needed training and assessment programs (including RPL and entry level training), in the following activities -

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Snorkeling / Wildlife Swims | <input type="checkbox"/> Four Wheel Driving |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Abseiling Natural Surfaces – multi pitch | <input type="checkbox"/> Mountain Biking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Horse Trail Riding | <input type="checkbox"/> Surfing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canoeing / Kayaking / Sea Kayaking | <input type="checkbox"/> Rafting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trail Bike Touring | <input type="checkbox"/> Caving |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rock Climbing - Natural Surfaces | <input type="checkbox"/> Canyoning |

Outdoors WA recognises that, as this is ‘new ground’; that persons formally recognised as able to provide such training and assessment services are few, if any. Following liaison with TAC, the following process is designed to position industry recognised and accepted ‘Technical Experts’ to deliver the training and assessment services required to support and sustain the Industry Quality Framework.

PROCESS

1. Persons considering themselves suitably competent and experienced in the published NOLRS competency schedules / SR006 Outdoor Recreation Training Package competencies express interest in being assessed for endorsement as a Technical Expert
2. EOI's will be received using the standard template attached
3. The Industry Standards Panel (ISP) will conduct preliminary assessment of all EOI's
4. Outdoors WA's Executive Secretary – Industry Standards – will assess the competence and experience of each EOI approved by the ISP and make determination re sufficiency and suitability of evidence; they shall be so notified

5. Endorsed Technical Experts will be presented to the broader industry via a dedicated communication strategy

BENEFITS

Endorsed Technical Experts will receive at no cost to them

1. Complimentary NOLRS registration for 3 years
2. Complimentary assistance in the preparation of a training course and assessment tools
3. Complimentary assistance assessment of the training course by the OCA for Partnered Assessment Provider status
4. Complimentary industry wide (WA) marketing / positioning as a recognised trainer / assessor
5. Complimentary assistance in the establishment of training and assessing price structures

EXPECTATIONS

1. Endorsed Technical Experts will submit a training course (and assessment tools) for assessment as a PAP in the agreed timeframe
2. Training courses developed shall be jointly owned by both the Technical Expert and Outdoors WA; Outdoors WA will provide Technical Experts with first right of refusal to provide training requirements of industry identified / created opportunities
3. Technical Experts may create their own training delivery schedules
4. OCA and Outdoors WA (via the ISP) reserve the right to limit the number of endorsed Technical Experts based upon resource limitations

TIMEFRAME (proposed)

31/10/2008	Call for Technical Experts EOI's
30/11/2008	EOI's Close
15/12/2008	ISP Considers EOI's
30/12/2008	Technical Experts Notified of ISP consideration
31/01/2009	Technical Experts assessed
28/02/2009	Technical Experts assessed
	Technical Experts Training Courses Developed
	Industry Wide Communications Plan commences
10/03/2009	Training Courses Submitted for PAP Endorsement
30/03/2009	Technical Experts Registered (NOLRS)
30/04/2009	Training and Assessment program marketing begins

Expressions of Interest to become an industry recognised Technical Expert can be received by email to office@outdoorswa.org stating Technical Expert EOI in the subject box by close of business **NOVEMBER 30 2008**.

Further enquiries are welcome by telephone or email to Ralph Gurr, Executive Officer Outdoors WA (08 9248 6677 or executiveofficer@outdoorswa.org). Expressions of Interest will only be accepted electronically using the template provided. It is possible that more detailed application materials may be called for in a secondary phase of the process pending the number of EOI's received.

Ralph W Gurr
Executive Officer

Bert Winning
Executive Secretary ISP

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

TECHNICAL EXPERTS



NAME:
POSTAL ADDRESS:
PHONE CONTACTS:
EMAIL:

BRIEF PROFESSIONAL BIOGRAPHY

TICK THE ACTIVITY SPECIALISATION(S) YOUR EOI APPLIES TO

- Snorkeling / Wildlife Swims
- Four Wheel Driving
- Canyoning
- Mountain Biking
- Horse Trail Riding
- Surfing
- Canoeing / Kayaking / Sea Kayaking
- Rafting
- Trail Bike Touring
- Caving
- Rock Climbing - Natural Surfaces
- Abseiling Natural Surfaces – multi pitch

OUTLINE INTENDED EVIDENCE OF SKILL LEVEL

OUTLINE INTENDED EVIDENCE OF EXPERIENCE LEVEL

**Please email to receive this form in Word format for submission to Outdoors WA by
November 30, 2008**

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