

BASIC FREESTYLE/FREEFLYING (BFF) COACH APPLICATION **(For Coaching Freestyle/Freeflying Grade FF1 only)**

DETAILS OF APPLICANT

TITLE _____ SURNAME _____

FORENAME(S) _____

BRITISH SKYDIVING MEMBERSHIP NUMBER _____ LICENCE NUMBER _____

ADDRESS _____

POST CODE _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

CHIEF INSTRUCTOR'S (CI) or INSTRUCTOR EXAMINER'S SECTION

I certify that the above-named applicant fulfills the requirements listed below:

- a) Holds a British Skydiving C Licence and Freestyle / Freeflying grade 1 (FF1) or equivalent.
- b) Has a minimum of 300 descents and 3 hours of Freefall time.
- c) Has been involved in Skydiving for a minimum of 2 years.
- d) Is fully familiar with the current FF Manual.
- *e) Is at least;
 - i. as attended a UK Coaching Course on `Coaching Methods and Communication, or
 - ii. as specific teaching or coaching qualifications, or
 - iii. as attended a Methods of Instruction lecture, given by a British Skydiving Advanced Instructor, or
 - iv. as attended a Military Methods of Instruction Course.

Give details of which of the above is applicable _____

CIs/IEs NAME _____ SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

EVALUATOR'S SECTION

Evaluator's Name (See `2` on reverse of this form) _____ LICENCE NUMBER _____

Advanced Instructor's Name (if different from above) _____

I/We certify that the above-named applicant has been evaluated in accordance with British Skydiving requirements (see back of this form) for Basic Freestyle / Freeflying Coach status and I/We recommend the applicant as a BFF Coach.

SIGNED (Evaluator) _____ DATE _____

SIGNED (Advanced Instructor) if Evaluator is not Advanced Instructor _____

BRITISH SKYDIVING MEMBERS CODE OF CONDUCT

*****TO BE COMPLETED BY INDIVIDUAL MEMBER APPLYING FOR A COACH RATING*****

I have read, understood and agree to abide by the [British Skydiving Members Code of Conduct](#)

SIGNED _____ PRINT NAME _____ DATE _____

PAYMENT DETAILS

This **fully** completed application should be returned to British Skydiving HQ.

Coaching Application Fee: **£10.00**

You do not need to provide your payment details with this form. Once your application has been received, an invoice will be emailed to you. Please follow the instructions in the email and make payment for the Coaching fee online.

Our office will be notified when you have paid, and your rating will be processed. Please allow up to 10 working days from payment for your Coach rating to be actioned.

BASIC FREESTYLE/FREEFLYING (BFF) COACHES (FF1 ONLY)

1. QUALIFICATIONS

- a) The recommendation of a Chief Instructor or Instructor Examiner
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2. EVALUATION

Evaluation will be made by an Advanced Instructor who is a BFF or FF coach or a BFF or FF coach nominated by an Advanced Instructor, or an FF1 or equivalent jumper of a proven high standard nominated by an Advanced Instructor and acceptable to the Head of Safety, Training & Competitions.

3. GROUND SCHOOL EVALUATION

This will include the full ground training phase of two complete FF1 levels, one of which should be a one on one and the other a group of three or four.

All applicants are strongly advised to use an FF video in their coaching programme.

4. IN AIR EVALUATION

This should be one of the one on one FF1 jumps, it should include the whole of the following:

- a) The brief and dirt dive, from the twenty-minute point.
- b) The climb to altitude.
- c) The skydive where the Evaluator will make typical student errors.
- d) The debrief.
- e) Logbook entries, which should include any corrective training required.

5. THE EVALUATOR'S TASK

The `in air` phase as already stated would include typical student mistakes. The candidate should not only be aware of these mistakes but should attempt to correct them in the air by use of signals or other means.

On the ground, the candidate should make good use of training aids and have a good coaching manner.

The candidate should demonstrate a good knowledge of the basic principles of teaching and coaching.

6. SAFETY

The candidate should not attempt to take on the role of an Instructor.

In air Instructors operate to different criteria to BFF Coaches. This should always be remembered.

The candidate should not try to change a student's emergency procedures, unless they break British Skydiving rules, in which case they should refer to an Instructor.

The BFF Coach is in no way responsible for the deployment of the student's canopy.

Always, if in doubt, refer back to an Instructor.

7. RENEWALS

British Skydiving Coaches ratings expire on the 31 March each year but may be renewed up to six months after that date. To renew a coaching rating, the coach must satisfy a Chief Instructor, that the coach is current in all aspects of the rating. Once a coaching rating has expired, the BFF coach may not exercise the privileges of that rating until the rating is renewed.

NOTE

- i) BFF Coaching Courses/Evaluations may be held at any PTO, provided all the above criteria is met.
- ii) Details of UK Coaching Courses can be obtained from www.ukcoaching.org/
UK Coaching: 0113-274-4802 Membership enquiries: 0113-290 7612