REVALIDATION OF FAW GRASSROOTS LEVEL 1 & 2 COACHING QUALIFICATIONS

All FAW Coaching qualifications have a 3-year validity period concluding on 31st May of the third year. To keep these valid, coaches are required to gain CPD credits or access the next level in the Coaching Pathway.

What are level 1 & 2 qualifications?

FAW level 1 qualifications	FAW level 2 qualifications
FAW Football Leaders Award	FAW C Certificate
FAW Goalkeepers Award	FAW/UEFA C Licence
	FAW GK C Certificate

How long are level 1 or 2 coaching qualification valid?

Level 1 & 2 qualifications are valid for 3-years.

How can I revalidate my level 1 or 2 coaching qualification?

To revalidate, coaches will need to either gain a minimum number of credits through our Grassroots CPD programme or access the next level in the Coaching Pathway.

Our CPD programme includes:

- eLearning Modules
- Regional Coaching Clinics
- Coaching Webinars
- National Grassroots Coaches Conference

Our CPD offers are weighted and there are some revalidation requirements relative to the qualification. Credits can be gained as quickly as a coach chooses; however, we would encourage coaches to access CPD content on a regular basis.

Revalidation requirements			
Qualification	Minimum credits required during the 3-year validity of a qualification	Requirements	
FAW Football Leaders Award	6 credits		
&			
FAW Goalkeepers Award			
FAW C Certificate	12 credits	Must access at least one FAW National	
&		Grassroots Coaches Conference during	
FAW GK C Certificate		the 3-year validity of a qualification	
FAW/UEFA C Licence	15 credits	Must access at least one FAW National	
		Grassroots Coaches Conference during	
		the 3-year validity of a qualification	

CPD Weighting	
Offer	Credits



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Do I have to attend certain CPD?

We have designed a programme of CPD opportunities that give coaches the freedom to tailor the type of learning they access to suit their needs and preference. For example, a coach looking to revalidate the FAW Football Leaders Award may choose to access several eLearning Complementary Modules or attend a mix of Coaching Webinars and Coaching Clinics to gain the required CPD credits.

The Certificate and Licenced qualifications (level 2) require coaches to attend the FAW National Grassroots Coaches Conference at least once during the 3-year validity of a qualification. The remaining credits can be gained through our offer CPD offers.

When does CPD run?

This will be dependent on the type/offer of CPD. For example, the eLearning complementary modules are online, OnDemand so can be accessed from anywhere at any time. The Coaching Clinics and National Grassroots Coaches Conference will have set dates/times and locations. The Coaching Webinars will be live on set dates/times; however, these will be recorded for coaches to access OnDemand at a later date.

How much does CPD cost?

There is a fee of £15 (inclusive of VAT) that provides you with unlimited access to our grassroots CPD programme for a 12-month period.

How do I book/access CPD?

Access is via the learning icon on Coach Cymru where you can view OnDemand content or book a space on upcoming events. Click 'Jump to Coach Cymru' in your FAW Courses profile or visit www.fawcoach.cymru

What happens if I do not gain the required credits?

Your qualification will no longer be valid, it will be inactive.

Does that mean I lose the qualification?

No. Your qualification will remain inactive until you have gained the required credits.

Can I still coach with an inactive qualification?

You may not be able to hold or take up certain coaching positions where a valid coaching qualification is a requirement (e.g., a junior coach as part of FAW Club Accreditation is required to have a minimum of a FAW Football Leaders Award).

If my qualification is inactive/no longer valid, how do I revalidate it?



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You need to gain the required CPD credits. You may gain the credits as quickly as you are able, and your qualification will become valid (active) as soon as you gain the credits. Your qualification will then be valid for a period of 3-seasons.

What if I only gained some of the CPD credits required?

The credits will remain for a period of 3-year. After this point, the credits will be deleted.

Your qualification will only be revalidated once you have gained the minimum number of credits through our Grassroots CPD programme.

How often do I need to revalidate my qualifications?

Qualifications are valid for a 3-year period. You will need to gain required CPD credits during this period to revalidate your qualification.

If I gain more credits than required, will my qualification be expended beyond 3-years?

No. The credits detailed are minimum requirements and we would encourage coaches to regularly access CPD content.

Can additional CPD credits be carried over?

No. Only the credits you gained during the 3-year validity period will be recorded, after this time your qualification will be revalidated, and you will then be required to gain the relevant credits for the new 3-year validity period.

Can I apply to access the next level course in the Coaching Pathway if my qualification is in-active (not valid)?

No. You need to gain the relevant CPD credits within 3-years of expiry for your current level of qualification. You may gain the credits as quickly as you are able, and your qualification will become valid as soon as you gain the credits. Once valid, you would then be able to apply to access the next level course.

Can I gain revalidation credits by accessing other Football Association, National Governing Body, or Higher/Further Education content?

No. Only FAW content currently counts towards revalidation credits. This is to ensure content is appropriate and aligns to our Welsh Way syllabus.

How will CPD credits be tracked?

Our FAW Courses website and Coach Cymru platform will track credits gained. After completing or attending CPD, our system will automatically add credits to your FAW courses profile.

How do I revalidate my FAW First Aid and/or FAW Safeguarding qualification?

Qualifications are valid for a 3-year period. There is no current revalidation process in place for these qualifications. After the 3-year period these qualifications will have expired, and you will need to retake the qualification.

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