How to gain the AUSTSWIM Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety Award with International qualifications

Overseas qualifications that are currently recognised for part exemption of the AUSTSWIM Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety course are:

- Canadian Red Cross Instructors Award
- Canadian RLSS lifesaving instructor
- American Red Cross Water Safety Instructor
- YMCA USA Aquatic Instructor
- UK ASA Full Swim Teacher certificate
- UK STA Swim Instructors Award – School Aged
- NZ Diploma in Swim Teaching

If awards are held that are **NOT** listed above, the full AUSTSWIM Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety course has to be completed.

International awards that **ARE** listed above:

Teachers who have completed awards listed above will need to enrol into an AUSTSWIM Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety course, exemptions will be given for all on-course lectures and practical sessions except for the:

- Theory examination
- Rescue Competencies *
- Continued aquatic sequence*

  ** An exemption can be gained from these sections if a relevant Pool Lifeguard qualification, Bronze Medallion or Swim Teacher Rescue Award is held (copies of awards need to be supplied with the application).*

How to enrol:

To enrol you must contact a Course Provider in your state or territory (go to www.austswim.com.au and view under 'find a course'.

- Contact a Course Provider with your request
- The Course Provider will advise of any course costs (this may vary between Course Providers, but will generally be less than the standard course fee)
- Complete a course enrolment form, attach copies of international awards and return with payment.
- **Note**: international awards must be current at the time of application

Once enrolled, candidates will receive:

- Copy of the AUSTSWIM Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety candidate handbook
- Copy of AUSTSWIM Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety manual
- AUSTSWIM Satchel and AUSTSWIM Insurance brochure
- Online exam log in details
- Booking confirmation letter including receipt and details of course information where applicable (ie dates and locations) and log in details for online theory exam.

Assessment

After successful completion of the online theory exam, Rescue Competencies and Continued Aquatic Sequence, applicants are required to:

a) Complete teaching competency assessment
b) Provide copy of current CPR award
c) Submit photo ID and teacher declaration

An AUSTSWIM Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety award will then be issued (valid for 3 years with a current CPR award). The standard AUSTSWIM Re-registration procedures apply in order to remain current.

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