

ACA | Canoe - Kayak - SUP - Raft - Rescue
Course Information - Who Can Teach What?

Coastal Kayaking	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Smartstart for Paddlers					
QuickStart your Kayak					
Introduction to Kayaking					
Flatwater Kayak Safety & Rescue					
Essentials of Kayak Touring					
Basic Strokes and Maneuvers					
Strokes and Maneuvers Refinement					
Open Water Skills					
Tidal Currents					
Surf Zone					
Roughwater maneuvering, towing and rescues					
Advanced Surf Zone					
Rock Gardens & Sea Caves					
Kayak rolling		*	*		
Traditional skills			*	*	*
Coastal Kayak L1 Skills Assessment					
Coastal Kayak L2 Skills Assessment					
Coastal Kayak L3 Skills Assessment					
Coastal Kayak L4 Skills Assessment					
Coastal Kayak Camping		*	*	*	*
Coastal Kayak Day-Trip Leading Assessment			*		
L3 Coastal Kayak Trip Leading	Taught by L3 CK (or higher) IT or ITE				
L4 Open Water Coastal Trip Leading	Taught by L4 OWCK (or higher) IT or ITE				
L5 Adv Open Water Coastal Trip Leading	Taught by L5 AOWCK IT or ITE				

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River Kayaking	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Smartstart for Paddlers					
QuickStart your Kayak					
Introduction to Kayaking					
Flatwater Kayak Safety & Rescue					
Essentials of River Kayaking					
River Kayaking					
Whitewater Kayaking					
Advanced Whitewater Kayaking					
Kayak Rolling		*	*		
River Kayak Day-Trip Leading Assessment			*		
River Kayak L1 Skills Assessment					
River Kayak L2 Skills Assessment					
River Kayak L3 Skills Assessment					
River Kayak L4 Skills Assessment					
River Kayak L5 Skills Assessment					
River Kayak Camping		*	*	*	*
River Kayak Fishing		*	*	*	*

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Surf Kayaking	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Smartstart for Paddlers					
QuickStart your Kayak					

Introduction to Kayaking	no L1 certs available a/o 01/2009				no L5 certs available a/o 01/2009
Flatwater Kayak Safety & Rescue					
Sit-On-Top Surf Kayaking					
Essentials of Surf Kayaking					
Surf Kayaking					

Sit On Top Kayaking (Note: L1 Instructor - Coastal or Ri	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Smartstart for Paddlers				no L4 certs available a/o 06/2012	no L5 certs available a/o 06/2012
QuickStart your Kayak					
Introduction to Kayaking					
Essentials of Sit On Top Kayaking					
Essentials of Sit On Top River Kayaking					
Sit On Top Coastal Kayaking					
Coastal Kayak L1 SOT Skills Assessment					
Coastal Kayak L2 SOT Skills Assessment					
Coastal Kayak L3 SOT Skills Assessment					
Coastal Kayak Camping		*	*		

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Surfski	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Essentials of Surfski	no L1 certs available a/o 11/2016				
Fundamentals of Surfski					
Open Water Surfski					
Adv Open Water Surfski					

Prone Paddling	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Introduction to Prone Paddling				No L4 Certs Available a/o 11/2/2015	No L5 Certs Available a/o 11/2/2015
Essentials of Prone River Paddling					
Prone River Paddling					

Canoe Touring - Freestyle	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Smartstart for Paddlers					
QuickStart your Canoe					
Introduction to Canoeing					
Flatwater Canoe Safety & Rescue					
Essentials of Canoe Touring					
Freestyle Canoeing					
Canoe Camping		*	*		

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River Canoeing	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Smartstart for Paddlers					
QuickStart your Canoe					
Introduction to Canoeing					
Flatwater Canoe Safety & Rescue					
Essentials or River Canoeing					
River Canoeing					
Whitewater Canoeing					
Advanced Whitewater Canoeing					
Canoe Rolling			*	*	*
River Canoe Day-Trip Leading Assessment			*		
Canoe Camping		*	*	*	*
River Canoe L1 Skills Assessment					
River Canoe L2 Skills Assessment					
River Canoe L3 Skills Assessment					

River Canoe L4 Skills Assessment					
River Canoe L5 Skills Assessment					

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Stand Up Paddleboarding	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3 WW	Level 3 Surf	Level 4 WW
Introduction to SUP					
Essentials of SUP					
Whitewater SUP					
Advanced Whitewater SUP					
Surf SUP (Ocean)					
SUP L1 Skills Assessment					
SUP L2 Skills Assessment					
Whitewater SUP L3 Skills Assessment					
Whitewater SUP L4 Skills Assessment					
Surf SUP L3 Skills Assessment					

Safety and Rescue	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Essentials of River Safety and Rescue	No L1 Safety and Rescue certs - All L1 Safety and Rescue courses are discipline specific				
River Safety and Rescue					
Swiftwater Rescue					
Advanced Swiftwater Rescue					
River Safety and Rescue L2 Skills Assessment					
River Safety and Rescue L3 Skills Assessment					
River Safety and Rescue L4 Skills Assessment					
River Safety and Rescue L5 Skills Assessment					

Rafting	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Essentials of Rafting - Paddle	no L1 certs available a/o 09/2012				no L5 certs available a/o 09/2012
Essentials of Rafting - Oar					
Rafting - Paddle					
Rafting - Oar					
Whitewater Rafting - Paddle					
Whitewater Rafting - Oar					

Paddlesports Safety Facilitator (PSF)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
PSF - Kayak	*	*	*	*	*
PSF - Canoe	*	*	*	*	*
PSF - SUP	*	*	*	*	*

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*See www.americancanoe.org/PSF for more details.