

# Award categories and criteria

## 1. Swim England Approved Centre Diversity Champions

This award recognises a Swim England Approved Training Centre who has shown outstanding innovation in promoting inclusion and diversity for learners. They will be able to demonstrate they have made a significant effort to make a difference in individual's lives through positive equality and diversity actions.

Approved Training Centre key contacts and/or Educators should submit clear reasons/evidence within their nomination for why they should be voted Diversity Champion.

**Criteria:**

- Must be a Swim England Approved Training Centre.
- Must be actively running Swim England training courses.

## 2. Swim England Trainee Tutor of the Year

This award recognises a Swim England Trainee Tutor who has engaged fully with the Educator Training team and their Advanced Practitioner (AP). They will have demonstrated excellent communication skills with learners and others throughout their time on the programme. They should have acted on the developmental feedback given, striving to hold themselves to the highest possible standards, showing they have taken developmental opportunities when they have arisen, for example: attending CPD course delivery sessions, undertaking additional observations etc. Nominations are open to all Educators, Approved Training Centre key contacts and Educator Training.

**Criteria:**

- Must be a Swim England Trainee Tutor.
- Must have a current Swim England Educator license.
- The nomination may contain details of activities older than 12 months, but with notable achievements in the last 12 months.

### 3. Swim England Educator of the Year

This award recognises an Educator who has continually gone above and beyond the day-to-day requirements of their role for the benefit of their learners. This Educator will have demonstrated a learner centred approach to course delivery and assessment, and shown innovation and excellence in their course design, delivery and assessment. Nominations open to all Educators and Approved Training Centres.

**Criteria:**

- Must have a current Swim England Educator license.
- The nomination may contain details of activities older than 12 months but with notable achievements within the last 12 months.

### 4. Swim England Primary School of the Year

This award recognises a school that has taken the appropriate steps to demonstrate proactive action to improve the delivery of their school swimming and water safety. This school will be a member of the Swim England School Swimming and Water Safety Charter and be able to demonstrate good practice in their aquatic delivery.

**Criteria:**

- Must be currently signed up to the Swim England School Swimming and Water Safety Charter.
- Must be able to demonstrate an improvement in Key Stage 2 attainment levels over the past 12 months
- The school must have published/reported the percentage of year 6 pupils who meet each of the three national curriculum requirements by the 31 July 2019.
- Must be able to demonstrate examples of delivering high quality school swimming and water safety lessons.
- Provide evidence of use of the Primary PE and School Sports Premium within the 2018/2019 school year (not necessarily for swimming).
- Can demonstrate the up-skilling of school swimming lesson providers.
- Have a reward and recognition programme in place.
- Ideally demonstrate appropriate competitive opportunities have been made available to pupils.
- Show evidence of innovative ways of delivering school swimming and water safety lessons.

## 5. Swim England Swim School of the Year

This award is for a Swim England Swim School Member. Swim Schools nominated in this category should exemplify providing an excellent service to all of their members, ensuring the development of their learners, swimmers and staff by continually striving to achieve high standards.

**Criteria:**

- Must be an active Swim England Swim School Member (2018/2019).
- Must be delivering lessons in one or more of the four frameworks in the Swim England Learn to Swim Programme (Pre-School Framework, Learn to Swim Framework, Aquatic Skills Framework, or Adult Swimming Framework).
- The Swim School must be offering Swim England Awards.
- Show evidence of innovative ways of delivering Learn to Swim sessions.
- Show evidence of continual professional development of swim school employees.
- Swimming achievements must have been accomplished in the last 12 months.

*Please note:* The shortlisted Swim Schools will receive a visit from a Swim England Assessor as part of the judging process.

## 6. Swim England Swimming Teacher of the Year

This award recognises a teacher who provides quality lessons week in week out. They are motivated to improve their learners' standards and go the extra mile to ensure they deliver the best quality learning experience for their pupils.

**Criteria:**

- Must be a Swim England (or formerly ASA) qualified swim teacher who has continued to seek ongoing personal/professional development.
- Must be delivering one or more of the four frameworks, within the Swim England Learn to Swim Programme (Pre-School Framework, Learn to Swim Framework, Aquatic Skills Framework, or Adult Swimming Framework).
- Must be delivering a fun and dynamic approach to teaching swimming.
- Provide support and mentoring to other swimming teachers and assistants.
- All achievements must have been accomplished in the last 12 months.