OUTREACH RESCUE WATER AND FLOOD COURSES PATHWAYS

OUTREACH RESCUE

DEFRA CORE MODULES

Water & Flood Awareness — Direct Entry
DEFRA Mod 1
Duration: 1/2 Day
Recertification: 1 Day every Year

Safe Working in Water (Annex G) — Direct Entry
DEFRA Annex G
Duration: 1 Day
Recertification: 1 Day every 3 Years

Water & Flood First Responder — Direct Entry
DEFRA Mod 2
Duration: 2 Days
Recertification: 2 Days every 3 Years

Water & Flood Rescue Technician — Direct Entry
DEFRA Mod 3
Duration: 5 Days
Recertification: 2 or 3 Days every 3 Years

External Prerequisite
Rope Rescue Operator
Required for Complex Access

SPECIALIST SKILLS ADD-ON MODULES

Vehicles in Water Rescue
For DEFRA Mod 2
Duration: 1 Day
Recertification: 1 Day every 3 Years

Water & Flood Rescue Supervisor
For DEFRA Mod 3/4
includes Mod 3 recert
Duration: 5 Days
Recertification: 3 Days every 3 Years

Water & Flood Asset Commander
For DEFRA Mod 2/3/4
Duration: 2 Days
Recertification: 1 Day every 3 Years
Must also maintain Mod 2/3

Asset Commander is included in the supervisor award

Either or Mod 2/3

Water & Flood Rescue Boat Operator
DEFRA Mod 4
Duration: 4 Days
Recertification: 3 Days every 3 Years
Must also maintain Mod 3

Vehicles in Water Rescue
For DEFRA Mod 3
Duration: 2 Days
Recertification: 2 Days every 3 Years

Water Rescue Craft Padding Skills
For DEFRA Mod 3
Duration: 2 Days
Recertification: 2 Days every 3 Years

Mud Rescue Technician
For DEFRA Mod 3
Duration: 1 Day
Recertification: 1 Day every 3 Years

Water & Flood Complex Access Rescue Technician
For DEFRA Mod 3
Duration: 5 Days
Recertification: 3 Days every 3 Years

CORE INSTRUCTIONAL AWARDS

Water & Flood First Responder Instructor
For DEFRA Mod 2
Duration: 4 Days
Recertification: 2 Days every 3 Years

Water & Flood Incident Manager
DEFRA Mod 5
Duration: 4 Days
Recertification: 2 Days every 3 Years

Water & Flood Rescue Technician Instructor Training
For DEFRA Mod 3
Duration: 5 Days
Progress to Assessment within 2 Years

Must attend assessment within 2 years

Water & Flood Rescue Technician Instructor Assessment/Recertification
For DEFRA Mod 3
Duration: 3 Days
Recertification: 3 Days every 3 Years

SPECIALIST INSTRUCTIONAL AWARDS

Flood Awareness Seminar
WFIM Mod 5 CPD module
Duration: 1 Day
Recertification: Not required

Vehicles in Water Rescue Instructor Add-on Module
For DEFRA Mod 3
Duration: 2 Days
Recertification: 2 Days every 3 Years

Water & Flood Rescue Craft Padding Instructor Add-on Module
For DEFRA Mod 3
Duration: 2 Days
Recertification: 2 Days every 3 Years

Mud Rescue Technician Instructor Add-on Module
For DEFRA Mod 3
Duration: 1 Day
Recertification: 1 Day every 3 Years

Requires Instructor Award as well as requisite skills module

CPD must be maintained as specified in the DEFRA FRCO 2025 for all DEFRA CORE MODULEs

→ Prerequisite or progression

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