



## **BPA CANOPY FORMATION COACHES**

### **1. QUALIFICATIONS**

- a) The recommendation of a CCI.
- b) A minimum of 100 CF descents.
- c) Two years involved in Sport Parachuting.
- d) Be at least a;
  - i) Category System Basic Instructor, or
  - ii) Has attended a Sportscoach UK Course on `Coaching Methods and Communication`, or
  - iii) Has specific teaching or coaching qualifications, or
  - iv) Has attended a Methods of Instruction lecture, given by a BPA Advanced Instructor, or
  - v) Has attended a Military Methods of Instruction Course.
- e) Is fully familiar with the current CF Manual.

### **2. EVALUATION**

Evaluation will be made by an Canopy Formations Coach who is an Instructor, or an Canopy Formations Coach nominated by an Advanced Instructor, or an CF1 jumper of a proven high standard nominated by an Advanced Instructor and acceptable to the National Coach & Safety Officer (NCSO) and/or Technical Officer (TO).

### **3. GROUND SCHOOL EVALUATION**

This will include the full ground training phase of two complete CF1 levels, one of which should be a one on one and the other a group of three or four.

All applicants are strongly advised to use the CF manual and a CF video in their coaching programme.

### **4. IN AIR EVALUATION**

This should be one of the one on one CF1 jumps, it should include the whole of the following:

- i) The brief and dirt dive.
- ii) The climb to altitude.
- iii) The jump: where the Evaluator will make typical student errors
- iv) The debrief.
- v) Logbook entries, which should include any corrective training required.

### **5. THE EVALUATOR'S TASK**

The `in air` phase as already stated would include typical student mistakes. The candidate should not only be aware of these mistakes but should attempt to correct them in the air by use of signals or other means.

On the ground the candidate should make good use of training aids and have a good coaching manner.

The candidate should demonstrate a good knowledge of the basic principles of teaching and coaching.

### **6. SAFETY**

The candidate should not attempt to take on the role of an Instructor.

The candidate should not try to change a students emergency procedures, unless they break BPA rules, in which case they should refer to an Instructor.

Always if in doubt refer back to an Instructor.

### **7. RENEWALS**

The CF Coaches rating should be reviewed on a bi-annual basis, and should be carried out by an Advanced Instructor who is also an CF Coach. This may be done by perusal of the logbook (which should then be indorsed), or by ordering a re-evaluation. This same person may at any time revoke the rating should there be just cause. (The BPA should be notified).

### **NOTE**

- i) CF Coaching Courses/Evaluations may be held at any parachute Club/Centre, provided all the above criteria is met.
- i) Details of SportscoachUK Courses can be obtained from Sportscoach UK, Leeds. Tel: 0113 274 4802, Fax: 0113 275 5019, e-mail: [coaching@sportscoachUK.org](mailto:coaching@sportscoachUK.org)