



## 1st4sport Level 2 Award in Leadership through Football (QCF)

### Facts and Figures

Qualification Accreditation Number	500/8161/5
Credit Value	9 credits
Learning hours (GLH)	56 - 90
LSC funding code	500/8161/5
Age range	14 – 19 years
National Diploma in Sport and Active Leisure	Additional and Specialist Learning (ASL) Catalogue approved
Qualification Accreditation Start Date	01/01/2010
Qualification Accreditation End Date	31/12/2010 <sup>1</sup>
Certification End Date	31/12/2012 <sup>2</sup>
Qualification Structure	See the units of this qualification
Supporting Materials	See the supporting materials

*There are no costs involved in applying or becoming a 1st4sport recognised centre.*

Developed in partnership with the [FA Learning](#), the education arm of The [Football Association](#), the *1st4sport Level 2 Award in Leadership through Football (QCF)* is a brand new and exciting qualification that will enable young people to develop leadership, personal and thinking skills through supporting the development of grass-roots football.

This unique qualification is a conduit for learners to develop a range of skills as; independent enquirers, team workers, self managers, creative thinkers, and effective

<sup>1</sup> It is anticipated that the accreditation and certification end dates will be extended, at some point before the end of 2010.

<sup>2</sup> It is anticipated that the qualification will be extended beyond 2010 when 1st4sport has full QCF accreditation.

participants. These skills are developed through an engagement with the FA's grass-roots football development programmes.

Learners will be introduced to a number of leadership roles including:

- leading football activity sessions
- refereeing small-sided games
- managing a local small-sided game team, and
- contributing to the organisation and delivery of a local football festival/event for young people.

Holders of this Award will be provided with guidance on further opportunities as a sport leader, including how to contribute to grass-roots sport as an administrator, coach, referee, team manager and sport development volunteer.

This qualification may be delivered to any group of young people with access to grass-roots football development opportunities AND is approved as part of the Additional and Specialist Learning Catalogue (ASL Catalogue) for the National Diploma in Sport and Active Leisure. For an up-to-date list of other 1st4sport qualifications already approved as part of the ASL catalogue please [click here](#)

## Frequently Asked Questions

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Who is the Qualification for?

Anyone between the ages of 14 and 19 years of age who are interested in developing leadership skills and would like an introduction to volunteering or a possible career in the sports industry. This is the ideal qualification for those who are interested in an engagement as a:

- sports administrator
- coach
- referee
- junior team manager, or
- sport development volunteer.

## Why Deliver this Qualification?

Developed in partnership with the experts

The qualification was developed in partnership with [FA Learning](#), the education arm of The [Football Association](#). Through this partnership you can be confident that this qualification is the very best football leadership qualification available and is aligned to a variety of football development initiatives operating at county and local level.

Approved component of the National Diploma in Sport and Active Leisure

The qualification is a component of the National Diploma in Sport and Active Leisure and is listed in the Additional and Specialist Learning Catalogue (ASL Catalogue) for that Diploma, ensuring that it can be included in your ASL provision.

1st4sport offer a variety of qualifications and packages of qualifications which might be used to offer a joined-up package of ASL for Diploma learners. For a complete and current list of other 1st4sport qualifications approved or in development for the ASL catalogue please [click here](#)

Not just for the Diploma

The 1st4sport Level 2 Award in Leadership through Football (QCF) is available to all 14 – 19 learners, whether part of a Diploma consortia or not. Its focus on personal development and leadership skills through football makes it an exciting qualification for a wide range of young people.

Progression routes

The qualification is an excellent introduction for those looking to progress within the voluntary or employed world of sport and sports development, with this qualification giving learners a kick-start into the skills of coaching, refereeing, sports administration and development. 1st4sport, through its links with many governing bodies of sport has developed qualifications to take young learners into this exciting arena.

What are the prerequisites?

Learners are required to be aged 14 years or over, prior to registration. The qualification is not considered to be appropriate for learners over 19 years, for whom alternative routes are available.

Who can deliver and assess the qualification?

It is expected that the delivery of the qualification will be led by individual(s) holding Qualified Teacher Status (QTS) and are practicing physical education specialists who have undergone an appropriate (FA-led) induction into the delivery of the qualification. Full details of the options available for those not holding QTS are outlined in the appropriate Qualification Specification.

## How is the Qualification Structured?

Unit No.	Unit Title	Unit Accreditation No.
1	Lead Football Activity Sessions	T/600/8786
2	Referee Football Activity Sessions and Small-sided Games	J/600/8789
3	Work with Small-sided Teams in Football	A/600/8790
4	Contribute to the organisation and delivery of a football event for young people	F/600/8791

The qualification is composed of 9 credits, with a recommended range of between 56 and 90 guided learning hours, depending on learners' needs.

## What Supporting Materials are there?

One of the advantages of working with 1st4sport is that we don't just supply you with the basic outline of the qualification, but go the extra mile with our development partners to support you with:

- a comprehensive resource pack for each learner, which includes structured learning and assessment tasks and dynamic learning resources to support the delivery of the programme of learning and qualification
- an extensive tutor/assessor guidance pack, available via regional FA-delivered tutor induction events
- on-line qualification administration, enabling you to process courses and learners quickly and effectively, enabling you to access the records we hold on your learners accessible at the click of a mouse.

The qualification is supported by the following:

- 1st4sport On-line Services User Guidance and related tools
- 1st4sport Level 2 Award in Leadership through Football Learner Pack
- 1st4sport Level 2 Award in Leadership through Football Tutor/Assessor and Verifier Guidance Pack
- FA Learning programme resources for learners and delivers.

## What are the Fees?

Fees for the qualifications are available on application and are charged per learner, providing registration and certification for the qualification, as well as a 1st4sport Learner Pack and a range of FA learning resources.

## How do I Find Out More?

For more information about FA Learning and grass-roots football development initiatives please visit their website at:

[www.thefa.com/falearning](http://www.thefa.com/falearning)

For information about 1st4sport Qualifications and the plethora of industry-specific qualification we offer:

Web: [www.1st4sportqualifications.com](http://www.1st4sportqualifications.com)

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How do I Apply?

We are happy to accept applications from new or existing 1st4sport centres to deliver the 1st4sport Level 2 Award in Leadership through Football (QCF), however you should be aware that to complete the recognition process those leading the delivery and assessment of the qualification must be licensed *FA Leadership through Football* Tutors. This process can be completed via attendance at an FA regional induction event. These events will commence in early June 2010, further information from FA Learning.

If you are not already a 1st4sport recognised centre, but would like to apply to deliver the qualification, you need to complete the Centre Recognition Application process. For further information please refer to the becoming a Recognised Centre section of our website.

If you are already a 1st4sport recognised centre and would like to seek approval to deliver the 1st4sport Level 2 Award in Leadership through Football (QCF), please access Athena, the 1st4sport Quality Assurance System and complete the qualification approval process.

We don't charge for centres to apply to deliver this qualification.

Other Qualifications you may be interested in

- 1st4sport Level 2 Award in the Principles of Coaching Sport (Hyperlinked)
- 1st4sport Level 2 Award in Supporting Physical Education, Sport and Learning in Schools (Hyperlinked)