

FAQ – Adapted Aquatics (AAPAR/AAHPERD) Courses

Q: What's the difference between the two online Adapted Aquatics courses available on the website?

A: As shown in the “**Course Catalog**” on the Aquatic Education Center homepage (www.aquaticeducationcenter.com), there are two Adapted Aquatics online courses. The **Introduction to Adapted Aquatics Instructor** course is a 6-unit course. It does *not* meet the prerequisite requirement for the Adapted Aquatics Instructor credential, but does meet the mandatory certification requirements for swimming instructors specializing in training persons with developmental disabilities per Section 514.072, Florida Statutes. The course also qualifies for CEUs under Pennsylvania Act 48 for teachers and through other organizations. The **Adapted Aquatics Instructor Credentialing Prep** course does meet the prerequisite requirement for the instructor credential. This is a longer course (10 units), and includes a 45-minute DVD and the textbook, *Adapted Aquatics Programming, Second Edition*.

Introduction to Adapted Aquatics Instructor Course: 9780736076296 \$65

Adapted Aquatics Instructor Credentialing Prep Course: 9780736082976 \$170

Q: I already have the textbook and/or DVD. Can I purchase the credentialing course without these items?

A: No, there is only one version of the credentialing course.

Q: How do I obtain my instructor credential?

A: After completion of the online instructor credential course (not the introduction course), you will need to register for the in-pool practicum which completes the credentialing through AAPAR. You may visit their website directly (<http://www.aahperd.org/aapar/programs/workshops/>) or you may click on the “**Register Here**” link on the “About the Course” page for this course in the Aquatic Education Center’s “**Course Catalog**” (<http://www.aquaticeducationcenter.com/catalog/>).

Q: How do I obtain CEUs or CECs for either course?

A: Please see the course description from the Aquatic Education Center’s Course Catalog (<http://www.aquaticeducationcenter.com/catalog/>). With regard to CEC or CEU hours, you need to inquire of the particular organization toward which you would like any credits applied if they will accept this course and if so, how many hours they will award. Upon completion of the online course, you will be able to print and/or email your course completion transcript.

Q: What is the difference between AAPAR and AAHPERD, and what do the acronyms represent?

A: AAPAR stands for American Association for Physical Activity and Recreation, and AAHPERD for American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. AAPAR is under the umbrella of AAHPERD, so certifications through either organization are equivalent.

Q: How long do I have to complete the course after purchased?

A: All aquatic online courses expire one year from the date of purchase.

Q: Where can I find more information about online courses?

A: Please visit the Aquatic Education Center homepage (www.aquaticeducationcenter.com), click on “**Course Catalog**” and then either click on the course title or the “**Preview**” link next to each course title for more information about the course contents and technological requirements.

Q: How do I contact AAPAR/AAHPERD directly?

A: The website is www.aahperd.org/aapar, email is aapar@aaahperd.org, and phone is 703-476-3430.