



# WATER RESCUE ADVANCED

## Goal:

To equip personnel with the advanced knowledge and skills necessary for managing complex water rescue operations, including rope access and floodwater rescues.

## Target group:

Emergency services personnel involved in water rescues that could require complex access and egress techniques.

## Highlights:

- Advanced water rescue skills for complex, high-risk scenarios.
- Training includes night search management and casualty extraction using rope systems.
- Accredited course contributing to the Diploma in Specialist Rescue.

## Water Rescue



### Advanced Technical Skills



### Course length

40 hours (5 days)



### Instructor

1:6



### Period of validity

3 years



### Certification

Outreach Rescue Certificate of Achievement



### Venue

Outreach Rescue, Tan-y-Bwlch Centre, Llanllechid, Bangor, Gwynedd, North Wales LL57 3HY

## Description

This advanced 5-day training programme develops high-level water rescue skills, including complex rope techniques, casualty extraction, and night search management, ideal for emergency responders facing challenging water rescue scenarios.

The Water Rescue Advanced course provides specialised skills for emergency service personnel who engage in complex water rescues. Covering advanced technical skills in rope systems, casualty extraction, and water search operations, this five-day course prepares responders for scenarios involving difficult access and demanding rescue conditions. Participants will learn to apply multiple anchor and belay procedures, manage floodwater and vehicle rescues, and conduct night searches in water environments. Through lectures, practical sessions, and scenario-based exercises, this course ensures participants gain essential skills in line with the highest operational standards.

## Compliance:

BS 8454, Work at Height Regulations

## Previous knowledge:

Valid and in-date DEFRA Mod 3 compliant award AND Rope Rescue Operator award or equivalent

## Requirements:

Age 18+. Participants must be fit for this physically demanding course requiring the ability to demonstrate all Water Rescue Technician (Mod 3) skillsets as well as Rope Operator skillsets.

## Progression:

Recertification is recommended every 2 years. Completion of this course at Outreach Rescue satisfies Module 'Specialist Rescue 2' (5085EXQ) for the Diploma in Specialist Rescue and (30 credits).

## Theoretical elements:

- This is a predominantly practical course focused on scenario-based learning.
- Rope equipment selection and care
- Water search operation management, including night search
- Advanced techniques for floodwater and vehicle rescues

## Practical elements:

- Multiple anchor and belay procedures
- Cableway and vertical access techniques for casualty extraction
- Application of rope tension and boat tethering systems
- Scenario-based night search exercises