

# PTGA Matrix for Recognition of Current Competency



## General notes:

- All RCC applicants must be current financial members of the PTGA.
- All applicants must have and upload a current First Aid Certificate.
- Logged evidence does not have to be in the polar tourism industry unless specifically stated.
- All RCC applications will be reviewed by the PTGA Committee tasked with such.
- Any RCC applicant who works with a SPTGuide or Assessor should spot test themselves against the syllabus and add to their attestation.
- The RCC Program will run until approx July 2019 after which people will have to sit assessments.
- Attestations can be from the same two people and cover multiple PTQs if an applicant is applying for more than one.
- RCC candidates are required to fulfil revalidation requirements as per normal testing.

Polar Tourism Qualification	RCC Requirements
Lead a Hike in Non-Technical Terrain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• &gt;50 sessions logged leading off-trail hikes longer than 60minutes.</li> <li>• Attestation from 2 peers (Expedition Leader, SPTGuide or Assessor) that they are working above the level of the relevant PTQ syllabus.</li> </ul>
Navigation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attestation from 2 peers (Expedition Leader, SPTGuide or Assessor) that they are working above the level of the relevant PTQ syllabus.</li> </ul>
Radio and Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• &gt;100 days logged working with VHF and/or UHF and satellite telephone communications.</li> <li>• Attestation from 2 peers (Expedition Leader, SPTGuide or Assessor) that they are working above the level of the relevant PTQ syllabus.</li> </ul>
Snow and Ice Crack Awareness (no test)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• &gt;10 excursions logged working with, or around, site specific features as per the PTQ.</li> <li>• Attestation from 2 peers (Expedition Leader, SPTGuide or Assessor) that they have the knowledge contained in the Awareness Certificate.</li> </ul>
Presentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• &gt;50 presentations (&gt;15mins) delivered and/or video a presentation and submit it for assessment.</li> <li>• Attestation from 2 peers (Expedition Leader, SPTGuide or Assessor) that they are working above the level of the relevant PTQ syllabus.</li> </ul>
Interpretation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• &gt;50 logged interpretation sessions.</li> <li>• Attestation from 2 peers (Expedition Leader, SPTGuide or Assessor) that they are working above the level of the relevant PTQ syllabus.</li> </ul>
Zodiac I/II	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• &gt;100 logged days driving zodiacs (a day is not less than 4hours driving). At least 50 days must be in the polar environment.</li> <li>• Attestation from 2 peers (Expedition Leader, SPTGuide or Assessor) that they are working above the level of the relevant PTQ syllabus.</li> </ul>
Zodiac III Endorsements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• &gt;20days logged driving zodiacs at the Endorsement level applied for.</li> <li>• Attestation from 2 peers (Expedition Leader, SPTGuide or Assessor) that they are working above the level of the relevant PTQ syllabus.</li> </ul>
Lead a Journey in Technical Terrain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• &gt;20 logged journeys (some multi-day) in technical terrain</li> </ul>