



BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Sport

Examination Board: Pearson

Young people taking their first steps towards their future career need the right blend of technical and academic skills in order to become the highly skilled, work-ready individuals employers and universities look for. BTEC Level 3 Nationals are vocational qualifications designed to help learners succeed. They have been developed in collaboration with over 5,000 universities, employers and professional bodies with employability at the heart, so students can develop the skills and confidence they will need to step into their future. BTEC Level 3 National qualifications take a unit-by-unit approach and provide a practical, work-related course. The Diploma in Sport course is a two-year course, which is the equivalent value of **two** full A Levels. In addition to the four units covered in the National Extended Certificate in Sport (BTEC L3 Single Award), pupils studying the Diploma will cover an additional five units to achieve the equivalent of two A Levels.

Assessment:

Unit 4: Sports Leadership

- Learners study what makes a good leader, the different capacities of this role, and the leadership skills and techniques necessary when leading activities in different roles
- Internal assessment; coursework based
- Taught across the end of Year 12 and start of Year 13.

Unit 6: Sports Psychology

- This unit covers the psychological dimensions of sport, and introduces psychological techniques that can be used to enhance performance
- Internal assessment; coursework based
- Taught in Year 12.

Unit 17: Sports Injury Management

- Learners study the signs and symptoms of sports injuries, application of basic treatment and rehabilitation methods, injury risk factors and injury prevention
- Internal assessment; coursework based
- Taught in Year 13.

Unit 22: Investigating business in sport and the active leisure industry

- A task set and marked by Pearson and completed under supervised conditions
- In Part A, learners will be given information two weeks before the supervised assessment period, to carry out research
- In Part B, the supervised assessment period is three hours as timetabled by Pearson
- Written submission
- 64 marks
- Assessment will take place in the January of Year 12.

Unit 23: Skill Acquisition

- Learners study the factors that contribute to a skilled performance in sport and examine how sports performers learn and develop their skills
- Internally assessed; coursework based
- Taught in Year 13.

Careers and Study Progression:

The structure of the course gives learners a clear route to higher education or employment in sport sectors, with opportunities to study a BSc course in Sport, Physical Education and Coaching Science to name a few. The course also supports progression into direct entry level roles such as a physical activity leader or fitness/leisure assistant along with the development of transferable skills such as communication, teamwork and leadership skills.