

## **JOB OPPORTUNITY – ACADEMY COACH (SWIM ENGLAND LEVEL 1 OR 2 COACH OR LEVEL 2 TEACHER)**

### **STOCKPORT METRO**

5.5 hours per week – part time

Reporting to – Head Coach/Head of Academy

£13.30 per hour

48 weeks

### **About this role:**

Stockport Metro is looking to appoint a new part time Academy Coach to work alongside the Head of Academy to coach our youngest swimmers as they transition from lessons to squads.

We are looking for a teacher or coach who is dedicated to improving technique and skills, has the ability to engage with our youngest swimmers as they start their swimming journey and has high standards of delivering quality.

Prior coaching experience is not necessary if you worked in learn to swim however the applicant must have a good technical knowledge of all strokes.

The role will also include opportunities for personal development and mentorship from our highly experienced coaching team.

### **About Stockport Metro**

Stockport Metro has enjoyed a long history of podium success across all age groups at County, Regional, National and International levels, breaking countless British and Commonwealth records. Since moving to our 50m Grand Central Pools fourteen athletes have qualified for the Olympic Games, and the club has produced four Olympic medallists, making it the most successful in British history.

The club is now in an exciting new era with the recent appointment of Head Coach Rick Hall and is looking to build on the success it had previously.

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## **Job Description**

### *Coaching*

- To coach Academy squads (swimmers aged 6-10) with a primary focus on improving technique, skill and training ability
- Training sessions will take place Monday – Thursday 6.35-7.35pm and Sunday 5-6.30pm
- To assist with prepool and land training when needed
- To help organise ‘race nights’ and other competitions
- To use initiative, creative and come with new ideas
- To follow a criteria and coaching plan set by Head of Academy
- To work with the Head of Academy Coach to ensure a progressive pathway from lessons to our age group squads
- To cover other coaching sessions when needed.

## **Our Coaching Team**

Our coaching team consistently promote the values of the programme. The ideal candidate would ideally share the 5 key characteristics that we promote within our coaching team:

- Professional
- Passionate
- Technical
- Caring
- Proactive

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**Preferred Experience, Skills & Qualifications:**

- A minimum of Coaching Swimming: Level 2 Award or Swimming Coach Certificate or, an interest in working towards this (if not already) Level 1 Coaching and Level 2 teaching qualification will be considered (essential)
- A sound knowledge of all areas of the Stockport Metro swimming programme, including the teaching programme (essential)
- Strength and Conditioning Qualification (desirable)
- NPLQ – National Pool Lifeguard Qualification (desirable)
- A minimum of two years' swimming teaching or coaching experience (desirable)
- The ability to be well planned (essential)
- The ability to work to deadlines and exceed targets (essential)

**Other Benefits of the Role:**

- Free gym and pool membership at any of our centres
- Cycle to work scheme
- Pooltime for private one-to-one sessions (additional to salary)
- Funded CPD opportunities (formal and informal) on the recommendation of the Head Coach
- Expenses package for meets and camps (accommodation, subsistence, and travel)

**Working for Life Leisure:**

To find out more about what it's like to work for Life Leisure please [visit our website](#) where you'll find testimonials from both current and former staff, a list of the benefits you could receive by working for us and videos showing the fantastic work our amazing team does day in day out.

**Recruitment for this role:**

If you would like further information about this role or have any questions please contact Head Coach Rick Hall at [headcoach.sm@lifeleisure.net](mailto:headcoach.sm@lifeleisure.net)

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