



# British Caving Association

## BCA Training Grants

### Notes for the guidance of applicants for Training Grants

#### 1 The BCA Training Committee

The Training Committee has a small annual budget to promote the education and training of 'recreational' cavers, and also holds a small stock of equipment that can be loaned for training purposes. The committee is also anxious to promote SRT Training.

#### 2 Principles under which grants can be made

- No funding for events leading to qualifications in the commercial sector.
- Funding is not generally available for capital equipment.
- Maximum grant aid will generally not exceed  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the overall cost of the training. Where overall costs do not exceed £100 the full cost may be granted. The Committee reserves the right to 100% fund BCA organised events.
- The Training Committee reserves the right to monitor the quality of the training.
- Payment of grant will not be made until a satisfactory report of the event has been received from the promoters.
- The Training Committee may offer 'pump priming' of events, which can then become self-financing.
- The Training Committee may support minority interests.
- Grant will not normally be made for the training of Cave Rescue Team members in rescue techniques.

#### 3 Method of Applying

Obtain from the Training Officer or the BCA website ([www.british-caving.org.uk](http://www.british-caving.org.uk)) and complete an application form giving full details of the proposed event. **The application should be sent to the Training Officer** who will take it to the next meeting of the Training Committee. The Training Officer will indicate to the applicant what his recommendation to the Training Committee will be.

#### 4 Accounting

After completion of the event a report should be sent to the Training Officer who if satisfied will authorise payment of the agreed grant. Applicants are encouraged to publish these reports in the caving press.