

## **Officiating courses**

Officiating courses are no longer arranged or ran by regions / counties, they are now virtual and are booked online through your Engage account.

Here's a link for more information about the [Officiating Pathway](#)

### **Membership to book onto courses**

Any aspiring coaches and umpires who would like to secure their place on a course but aren't members right now can join the 2021/22 membership from Sunday 1 August\* in order to unlock access to these member-exclusive (or discounted) courses.

If you are not a part of a club or your clubs membership isn't ready you can buy a 2021/22 membership in the short term through your [county netball association](#) . (If your club is collecting club fees through ENgage, coaches and umpires can always top up their membership with your club later).

**Finally, please be mindful that in most cases both 2020/21 and 2021/22 memberships are available for sale throughout August. New joiners should carefully select the right membership scheme, for the right membership year, in ENgage before checking out.**

If you have any problems with buying membership the easiest way to contact customer experience is via this [contact form](#).

### **Have you already attended a course within the last 2 years?**

If yes – here's some more information.

#### **Attended an Into officiating course.**

You have 2 years from when you attended a course to be assessed to gain your qualification.

If your 2 years were due to expire (Mar 2020 – Sept 2021) then you will have been granted a 22 month extension to allow you to do your assessment.

A completed assessment, with your qualification added to Engage will then allow you to progress onto the C award course. Your member County Umpiring Secretary (officiating lead) is the person to contact to arrange these.

#### **Attended a C award course but not yet attended the written / practical.**

You have 2 years from when you attended a course to complete the next stage.

If your 2 years were due to expire (Mar 2020 – Sept 2021) then you will have been granted a 22 month extension to allow you to do your assessment.

For those learners who attended a C Award course prior to May 2021 and that need to take the C Award Written Assessment please [click here](#)

***If you would like to attend an officiating course, below are details about them both.***

## **Into officiating Course Overview**

**Minimum Age:** 13

**Duration:** Two virtual sessions each two hours in duration – 4 hours in total

**Cost of course:** £40

The Into Officiating Course is the first step on the officiating pathway. It will help you to understand the basic rules of the game, as well as cover some of the basic positioning and movement required to enable you to 'whistle well' whilst being an umpire. The course is designed for people new to umpiring and new to the rules of the game. The virtual sessions form the first part of the Into Officiating Award with a successful 15 minute practical assessment (organised by your member county) required to gain the full qualification.

Click [here](#) to find out more about the England Netball Officiating Pathway.

### **Who is this course for?**

The course is perfect for anyone that would like to start officiating at grassroots level or in a school environment.

### **What will I need to do?**

- Be a full member of England Netball
- Attend **both** virtual sessions of the designated course (Please note that we do not allow learners to move from course to course)
- Have access to a computer (with the internet enabled) and a camera and microphone so we can see and interact with you
- Be prepared to go out and practice your umpiring prior to your practical assessment

### **Outcomes**

By successfully completing the Into Officiating Course, you will:

- Improve your understanding of the rules of netball
- Gain the basic knowledge and skills to undertake umpiring at netball matches
- Be able to keep an accurate scorecard
- Understand the requirements to progress along the officiating pathway
- Able to progress onto the Into Officiating Award Practical Assessment

### **Into Booking Process**

Prior to booking your virtual Into Officiating Award sessions you should contact your membership County Officiating Lead as they will be able to give you a whole host of information about the course and the pathway and could support you with practical opportunities after your virtual sessions.

To book your place enter your postcode in the box provided (on the right) and click search. This will take you to the relevant section of our website where you can click on the Course menu and select the Into Officiating Award course you wish to attend. Make sure you have your EN ID and a credit or debit card.

### **Post Course**

The Into Officiating Resource Hub provides you with a number of resources that will support you after the formal course has finished. Your county will also be in touch with you post course to talk you through any local support that may be on offer. This may include a bonus additional practical session to support your development as an umpire. These sessions are **not** a compulsory part of the pathway and are a membership benefit of the county you are attached to. Please visit your County website to find the details of your Officiating Lead.

### **Practical Assessment Process**

For more information on the practical assessment process for the Into Officiating Award please contact your County Officiating Lead.

**Important – In-order to attend a C award course you MUST have completed the Into officiating qualification (assessment) as Engage will not let you book onto a C award without it.** Here's a link for more information about the [Officiating Pathway](#)

## C award course Overview

**Minimum Age:** 13 years and above. Learners must be 14 years of age before taking the final practical assessment (see the pathway for further information) Please note you will not be able to book this course without the Into Officiating Award.

**Duration:** The course consists of two 1.5 hour virtual sessions – 3 hours in total and a 30 minute Written Assessment included in the course price.

### **Cost of course:**

£45

This course is the next step on the umpire pathway for those holders of the Into Officiating Award. It's perfect for those of you aspiring to umpire at a higher level within your County. The course builds on the knowledge you learnt on your Into Officiating course and introduces the basics of Contact/Contest and Advantage.

### **Who is this course for?**

**If you want to umpire in local and/or county leagues on a regular basis and hold the Into Officiating Award.**

\*Must be 14 years of age before taking the final practical assessment (see [Pathway](#) for further information)

### **What will I need to do?**

- Attend **both** virtual sessions of the designated course, please note that we do not allow learners to move from course to course.
- Have access to a computer and the internet to be able to access the virtual sessions.
- Be prepared to practice umpiring netball before attending a Practical Assessments
- Be a full member of England Netball.

### **Outcomes**

#### **After you attend the course you will:**

- Improve your current understanding and knowledge of the rules of the game
- Improve your umpiring skills by identifying/observing and penalising infringements of the rules
- Be able to demonstrate how positioning, movement and vision impacts on an umpires performance
- Begin to develop an awareness of when it is appropriate to playing Advantage
- Have an awareness of Contact v Contest
- Understand the importance of Game Management for control and discipline

Any problems booking onto courses, please visit the [Help desk for information about courses / workshops](#) complete the online form for customer experience to help you.