



# **UMPIRING COURSE FOR INTO OFFICIATING AWARD - FAQ**

#### AIM

To introduce the rudiments of umpiring a netball match at junior/youth/adult level in a club environment.

### **OUTCOMES TO BE ACHIEVED ON THE COURSE**

- To have some knowledge of the basic rules of the game
- To identify obvious basic infringements of the rules
- To apply correct use of voice, whistle and terminology
- To be aware of correct movement and positioning
- To keep an accurate scorecard and call the score
- To identify the requirements for the England Netball Beginner Award
- Prepare candidates for testing process

#### WHO CAN ATTEND?

Young people from 12 years of age.

Adults who have had little or no experience of umpiring.

#### DO I NEED TO BE AFFILIATED?

No, although it is recommended. If you are not affiliated, please be aware that you will not be insured by England Netball and therefore will not be able to claim for any injury you may incur while on this course.

#### COST

£30 (If you are affiliated to a Kent club, or through Kent Netball.)

£40 (If you do not meet the above criteria.)

N.B The cost of the courses to candidates are heavily subsidised by Kent Netball. Payment should be made in the form of a cheque/postal order made payable to Kent Netball. We are also able to accept electronic bank transfers.

#### IS THERE AN ASSESSMENT ON THE DAY?

There is no formal assessment on the day of the course. Candidates need to gain further practical experience on proper match play and then apply for formal assessment/testing.

#### WHEN WILL I BE TESTED?

The Into Officiating Award test is arranged through Kent Netball at a later date.

## WHAT ELSE DO I NEED TO KNOW?

Participants need to be fit and should wear appropriate clothing e.g. trainers and tracksuit, as they may be required to play some netball. Kent Netball and the host venue can accept no responsibility whatsoever for injury or personal loss, however sustained, suffered by any person tending this course in any capacity. By attending the course you agree to your details being known by England Netball.

#### MORE INFORMATION?

 $If you have further questions, please contact Keeley Smith, Kent Netball \ Umpiring \ Secretary \ \underline{ksmith@kentnetball.co.uk}$ 

## **HOW DO I APPLY?**

Complete the online form at www.kentnetball.co.uk

#### WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I APPLY?

- You will receive an email to confirm a place (or otherwise) and payment methods. The preferred method of payment is cheque...
- Regardless of the response at this point, it is expected that you will reserve the date in your diary.
- Once the minimum numbers have been met, we will confirm your place (or otherwise).
- Approximately 3 weeks before the the Joining Instructions will be emailed to you. No refund is available at this point.

#### WHAT IF THE COURSE IS FULL?

You will be placed on a waiting list and your details and cheque (with your permission) will be held in order to offer you a place on a subsequent course.

## WHY DO I NEED TO PROVIDE PLAYERS FOR THE PRACTICAL?

You cannot try out your umpiring without teams to practise on. If players cannot be found the course will be cancelled.