

Youth Umpire Award



Get your students involved in officiating netball through the Youth Umpire Award. This course introduces the principals of umpiring and the rules of netball and can be delivered by a teacher. It is ideal for students who want to get involved in officiating and get involved at school or officiate at the School Games.

The Youth Umpire Award (YUA) has been designed for young people from 13 to 18 years of age and consists of a 6 hour workshop led by a teacher or England Netball tutor. Once the students have had time to put their new skills into action they can then be assessed by an England Netball Umpire Assessor in order to achieve the qualification.

Key Course Objectives

- Introduce the principles of umpiring and the rules of netball
- Introduce officiating to young people, to enhance their knowledge and understanding of the role that the official plays in netball and sport as a whole
- Offer opportunities for students to umpire matches within their school or other appropriate environment



Who Can Deliver the Youth Umpire Award Course?

The YUA course can be delivered by:

- An England Netball tutor
- A teacher with QTS holding significant knowledge of netball and key stage 3 and 4 of the national curriculum.



Teachers must attend a three hour Orientation Workshop where they will receive the relevant information and resources to effectively deliver the fundamental skills of umpiring through the course. This includes Tutor Guidance Notes, a rule book and a candidate resource book to help support teachers deliver the workshop.



How can I attend an Orientation Workshop?

Orientation workshops are organised by the County Netball Development Officer. To find a workshop in your area, please visit www.Englandnetball.co.uk/regions for your

Regional Office contact details. The cost is £25 for affiliated schools and £35 for non-affiliated schools.

Running the Youth Umpire Award in your School

Once you have attended an Orientation Workshop you can then deliver the course to your students. Student resource packs containing attendance certificate, student workbook, rule book finger whistle and umpire score card can be purchased by calling the England Netball Shop on 08706.061686 and costs £10 each



Getting Qualified

Once students have attended the YUA course, they will need to gain practical experience in a game setting and could be acquired through after school clubs or school matches. This needs to be supportive with appropriate feedback being offered to help develop confidence.

Once the teacher is satisfied their students are ready to be assessed to become qualified, a practical assessment is organised. An England Netball Assessor will view a selection of umpires in a game situation, to determine whether the umpires are ready to be qualified. The Assessor will also offer practical advice on areas that can be improved to further assist the umpires' development.



I only have a few students interested in becoming a Netball Umpire. Can I combine the delivery of the course with other schools?	Yes, you can combine the delivery of the YUA with other schools in order that you can
I have no knowledge of netball. Should I attempt to teach the workshop	In order to deliver this course you will need a solid understanding of netball. The course should not be delivered without this.
I am a teacher but do not feel qualified to teach the course. May I invite an external tutor to deliver the course to my students	Yes, an external tutor who has the appropriate qualification may deliver the course on your behalf. (There may be an additional cost for this.) Contact your Regional Office to find a local tutor.
I am a non QTS teacher at an independent school, am I able to attend an orientation workshop and deliver this award?	No. At this moment only teachers who hold a QTS can deliver this award after attending an Orientation Workshop. Non QTS teachers who hold an England Netball Officiating Tutor award or a current UKCC Tutor qualification and a minimum of a 'C' Award Umpire can also deliver the YUA following attendance at an Orientation Workshop.
How much does a moderated assessment costs?	1-20 students - £25 plus travel expenses at .40p/mile Groups of more than 20 students £50 plus travel expenses at .40p/mile
What does the group/multiple Moderation session involve?	The Teacher ranks the students (i.e. most to least competent) for the assessor. The assessor then chooses from the list a selection of students to watch. Students will be required to umpire either High 5 and or Year 7/8 games for approximately 10-15 minutes. If the lowest ranked student passes the assessment, all students ranked above will also be awarded the YUA.
I am a School Games Organiser how do I get a course in my area?	Contact your County Netball Development Officer to see if an England Netball tutor is available or alternatively you could ask a teacher from your area who has attended the orientation workshop.

For more information please visit www.Englandnetball.co.uk/make-the-game/officiating