



NETBALL EUROPE B AWARD UMPIRE COURSE

Pre-requisites

- Must be an individual member of Swiss Netball
- Minimum age: 16 years
- Netball Europe C Award umpire

The Course

- **Duration:** 6 hours
- **Delivery:** Theory and Practical
- Course Attendance Certificate is valid for 1 year and you will need to complete your written assessment within this time
- **Cost:** 200.-CHF Age over 21
150.-CHF Age under 21 before 31-Dec-2020

Course Aims

The aim of the course is to improve the C umpire's current knowledge of the rules whilst improving their umpiring skills.

Your umpiring course will be delivered by a Netball Europe appointed Officiating Tutor(s).

Swiss Netball recommends that following the course attendance Learners continue to gain practical umpiring experience to support the next stage of this Award. You will continue to use your log book to record the matches you have umpired and this may be required when you attend your Practical Pre-Assessment at a later stage of the Officiating Pathway.

Tip - It is recommended that you engage with a qualified umpire to help and support you through this stage of the Pathway.

Intended Learning Outcomes

After you attend the course, you should be able to:

- Know and apply the rules in a more demanding game environment with increased confidence
- Use recommended hand signals to illustrate decisions made
- Apply Match Protocols
- Apply advantage where appropriate
- Expand on vision, positioning and movement skills
- Demonstrate the difference between Contact that does or does not interfere with play
- Utilise effective Game Management techniques

Cancellation Policy

Due to the restricted budget and operational costs, Swiss Netball operate a no refund policy. If you need to cancel a booking, any request should be made at least 7 days in advance of the course by email to umpiring@swissnetball.ch where you will be offered a priority place on an alternative course. A refund will only be available for illness or injury supported by a medical certificate or under extreme circumstances (these will need to be demonstrated) or if the course is over subscribed and your place is taken by someone else.

If the course would need to be cancelled for COVID-19 reasons, you will not be charged and you will be reimbursed.

NETBALL EUROPE B AWARD OFFICIATING PATHWAY

Following attendance on the Theory course, you will be required to sit a written assessment:

- The A/B Award written assessment lasts 2 hours
- Netball Europe holds written assessments across the Region three times per year. Please see the dates set out below for the season 2021-2022
- The arrangements for the written assessment will be organised by Swiss Netball with an invigilator.

| Date of Sitting | Deadline for Applications to Swiss Netball |
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| Saturday, 9 th October 2021 @ 11h00 | Tuesday, 31 st August 2021 @ 17h00 |
| Saturday, 12 th February 2022 @ 11h00 | Tuesday, 4 th January 2022 @ 17h00 |
| Saturday, 4 th June 2022 @ 11h00 | Tuesday, 26 th April 2022 @ 17h00 |

Please note if you do not pass the written assessment paper and wish to re-sit the test, you will be required to repeat the theory course. Whilst you will not be expected to pay the full amount for a new course, there will be an additional fee charged of 30.-CHF for administration costs.

A passed B Award written assessment is valid for two years from the pass date.

B Award Practical Pre-Assessment

- You will have one Assessor and will be assessed on a competitive match for a minimum 4x15 minutes
- The Assessor will grade you on a number of competencies
- If you are assessed to have passed you will be eligible to apply for the B Award Final Practical Assessment
- Your Assessor will provide you with a written report which will highlight all of the positives in your umpiring and also the areas of development
- If you are assessed Not Yet Met Criteria your Assessor will provide you with a written report which will highlight all of the positives in your umpiring and also the areas for development that will allow you to pass the Practical Assessment in the future.

Fitness Test

- You will need to participate in a Fitness Test prior to attending your Final Practical Assessment
- The test used will be the 20 metre Multistage Fitness Test (Bleep Test)
- The required level will be 6.1 and above.

B Award Final Practical Assessment

- You will have two Assessors and will be assessed on a competitive match for a minimum 4x15 minutes
- The Assessors will grade you on a number of competencies
- Following your Practical Assessment you will attend a post-match debrief with the Assessors. They will tell you the outcome of your assessment and provide you with your areas of strength and the areas for development
- You will either be assessed as a Pass or Not Yet Met Criteria
- **Please note** if you do not pass the Practical assessments on the day and a re-sit is required, there will be an additional charge of 90.-CHF. In line with the Netball Europe Officiating Pathway, the re-sit of a Practical assessment cannot take place for a minimum period of 3 months from the date of assessment. You must also undertake a further pre-assessment before retaking the Practical assessment.