

Introduction to Umpiring Course

Information for course organisers and participants

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A. General Course Information

1. This new training course is for people with little or no umpiring experience who will be umpiring the 11-a-side game. People who are going to be umpiring In2Hockey should complete the [Developing In2Hockey Umpires](#) course. Completion of the Introduction to Umpiring course will **not enable (or equip)** you to umpire League hockey. The minimum age requirement is 12 years old.
2. The course comprises 4 modules:

Module 1	Pre course online Rules test Participants must complete this before attending the course.
Module 2	What makes a good umpire? Participants will acquire some basic knowledge of how to communicate effectively; how, where and when to play effective advantage and where they should be positioned to be able to make accurate decisions.
Module 3	Practical umpiring Participants will have the opportunity to practise umpiring, turning the knowledge just acquired into skills.
Module 4	Preparation and planning the next steps Participants will appreciate what they need to prepare pre-match and what they can expect post course

3. The course costs £15 per participant.
4. The course is delivered by England Hockey accredited trainers and tutors.
5. Participants, who have completed the course, including the pre course [online Rules test](#), will receive a Certificate of Attendance, **not** a qualification.
6. Participants will receive a course workbook and whistle.

B. Information for Course Organisers: Organising a Course

1. Any club wishing to host an Introduction to Umpiring course **must** complete the [Course Request Form](#) and submit it by email to umpiring@englandhockey.co.uk

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2. The Course Request Form must be submitted no less than 6 weeks before the requested course date.
3. The minimum number of participants is 14. Clubs may therefore wish to liaise with other clubs in their area to attract the required number of participants.
4. The course lasts 3 hours and can therefore be delivered in an evening.
5. The host club **must** be able to provide a classroom facility **FREE OF CHARGE**. This **must** include a screen (or blank, white wall) to project PowerPoint slides and video clips onto and appropriately located power sockets for a laptop and data projector.
6. The host club **must** be able to provide a **third of a pitch FREE OF CHARGE** for a 120 minute period. Please see the table below for how the timings fit in with the rest of the course.

Module	Title	Duration
	Welcome and Introduction	10 mins
1	What makes a good umpire?	35 mins
2	Practical umpiring	120 mins
3	Preparation and planning the next steps	15 mins

7. Ideally, the host club will provide a minimum of 10 players for that 2 hour period to help make the practical activities work.

C. Information for Course Organisers: England Hockey Responsibilities

1. Upon receipt of the Course Request Form, England Hockey will:
 - a. Confirm the name and contact details of the tutor(s).
 - b. Advertise the course on the [Find a Course](#) section of the England Hockey website.
 - c. Inform you of the participant registration process.
 - d. Provide a single point of contact for any queries you may have.

D. Information for Course Participants

1. Payment must be made at the time of booking online.
2. Registration/log in details **must** be that of the participant and not of the person paying (if different).
3. You will need to complete the online Rules Test prior to the course and take your certificate to the course to show the tutor.
4. **The course contains practical pitch activity. Please bring a hockey stick, shin pads, appropriate training clothing and footwear appropriate for astro.**
5. Having successfully completed the course, including the online Rules test, you will be issued with a Certificate of Attendance.
6. If you will be U18 on the day of the course, you must bring to the course a completed Parental Consent Form.