

# Umpire Update

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## Netball Mainland aims

To increase the number of quality umpires and those achieving higher qualifications and honours.

## Netball Mainland roles & responsibilities

Please contact Amy Eckersley, NM Community Netball Manager (NM CNM) for any of the following:

- Coach/Assessor Applications, Training and Workshops
- Umpire Modules
- Centre Support Programme with the ZUDG
- Coaching Panels at Zone Tournaments
- U17 National Championship Events – Accommodation and travel bookings
- Theory Exams

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Please contact Jen Hooper, NM Performance Development Manager (NM PDM) for any of the following:

- NM Performance Squad programmes
- Super Club coordination of appointments
- Fitness Testing coordination for NNZ National Championship requirements

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## Fitness testing

Fitness testing is required for all umpires applying for National Championships each year. The minimum qualification for these tournaments has been Level C, however in 2016 we had a number of umpires of Zone + NZ theory level appointed due to the increase in number of team entries and to provide injury cover.

If you wish to be considered for appointment to a National Event and have Zone + NZ Theory, we would recommend you also make it a priority to fitness test each year to remain eligible for selection.

For those umpires who have applied for National Championships and live in close proximity to Christchurch, NM has scheduled fitness testing to be done at the Apollo Projects Centre at the following times: **March, June, September**. Umpires will need to contact their Centre first, who will then send the names to NM.

All other umpires requiring fitness testing will be required to contact their Centre for dates and locations.

## Centre Award

Currently the Theory requirement for a Centre Award is the online Centre Theory exam. NNZ are currently reviewing the online exam space and will have confirmation of this ready for the 2017 season.

## Coach/Assessor Training Workshops

Please see attached dates for 2017 workshops and host Centres.

All 2017 Umpire Coach/Assessors have been notified. Please contact Amy if unsure what workshop to attend.

## Super Club

A working party consisting of Zone and Centre personnel has been created to review the current Super Club competition and will have recommendations for the 2017 format early in the year.

## Coaching Panels

NM recommends that all Centre and Zone hosted tournaments establish Umpiring Coaching Panels. The Panels should be made up of Umpire Coaches and Assessors relevant to the level of competition at the Tournament. NM and ZUDG will request suitable personnel for these panels at the beginning of the 2017 season.

ZUDG recommends the following level of Umpire Coaches/Assessors for the following Age Group / Competitions:

NZ level – Beko, U19's, U17's, Super Club

Zone level – U17's, U15's, Super Club

Centre – Field days, Festival days

## Netball Mainland Performance Squads

2017 will see the current squad programme changed with the following structure implemented.

Netball Mainland Performance Squad will be made up of Umpires appointed to 2016 NNZ Events (NZSS/U19/U17). Umpires have been invited with the programme due to commence in the next couple of months. Umpires will undergo an IPP and programmes will be individualized to suit the needs of each person.

Netball Mainland Development Squad will be made up of Secondary School Aged Umpires who have shown potential and a willingness to progress further. Invitations will be sent early in 2017 with the programme due to commence shortly after. The programme will allow umpires to develop in their home regions/Centres with the support of a Zone Coach and targeted workshops.

## National U17 Age Group Championships

Umpires attending the National U17 Age Group Championship in 2017 will be required to contribute \$200 each for their attendance at this tournament. We recommend Centre's assist where possible with these costs.

## Zone Umpire Development Group (ZUDG) update

The Netball Mainland ZUDG and NZUDG members in our Zone have completed work on our Zone Umpire Development Plan which will align with Netball Mainland's Strategic Plan for 2016-20 onwards. This will ensure there is a clear direction within our Zone with key KPI's to achieve each year. A copy of this document can be found on the Netball Mainland website.

## Umpire modules

NNZ Umpire Modules are available for delivery in your Centre by approved facilitators.

If you would like to attend any of the below modules, please contact your Centre Umpire Co-ordinator to book in a date with Netball Mainland...

- Junior Umpire Practical
- Techniques 1
- Post-Match Discussions
- Techniques 2
- Self-Analysis
- Obstruction
- Reading the Game

Check out the NM website for an overview of the modules and the booking process. Please see attached calendar of modules planned for 2017 thus far.

## Centre Umpire Development Plans

NM in consultation with ZUDG and Centre Umpire Development Coordinators will either create or develop Umpire Development Plans in each Centre. If there is an area which you as an umpire would like to see developed in your Centre, then please let your Umpire Coordinator know!

## Centre Support Programme (CSP)

The purpose of NM's Centre Support Programme (CSP) is to provide an Umpire- specific link between NM and our 18 affiliated Centres.

Members of our ZUDG have been assigned to 'hubs' (groups) of Centres. These hubs have been created based on location and proximity of Centres to each other from across our entire Zone. Each hub will be offered umpire-related expertise, advice and support throughout the year, including at least one face-to-face visit by your ZUDG member, which shall be funded by NM.

Hub Centres are encouraged to make contact with each other, and discuss their common challenges and areas they require support.

Please contact your Centre Administrator to ensure your Centre Umpire development requirements are identified so the ZUDG can arrange a visit to support your programmes.

## What Centres make up which hubs and who has been allocated to help each Centre?

### Hub 1: Nelson, Motueka, Golden Bay, Marlborough

Andy Vincent [a.d.vincent@xtra.co.nz](mailto:a.d.vincent@xtra.co.nz)

### Hub 2: Kaikoura, North Canterbury

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### Hub 3: Malvern

Trudy Eaden [trudy.e@clear.net.nz](mailto:trudy.e@clear.net.nz)

### Hub 4: Mid Canterbury, Temuka, Geraldine, Waimate, South Canterbury

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### Hub 5: Buller, West Coast, Hokitika, Hurunui

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### Hub 6: Christchurch

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### Hub 7: Selwyn

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## NM CSP Roles & Responsibilities

Netball Mainland Staff  
(Community Netball Manager/  
Performance Development  
Manager)

NM UDG member  
Hub Support Person

NNZ Umpire Coach/Assessor Workshops

Starting a Junior Umpire programme

NNZ Fitness testing dates/results etc.

Helping an up-and-coming Umpire who is keen to progress

NNZ U17 Umpire Appointments

Umpire Coach/Assessor roles and responsibilities. How to become one

NNZ Initiatives (e.g. Outreach programme)

Theory Exams – practice sessions to pass these

Netball Mainland Zone Development/Talent Programmes

Increasing the number of Umpires within your Centre

For any queries, please contact NM CNM or your ZUDG Hub member.

## Umpiring Pathways

### New Zealand Umpire Accreditation Pathway

Award	Pre-requisite	Practical	Endorsement
Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coaching</li> <li>Centre Theory pass</li> <li>Screening</li> </ul>	Local game 4 x 10 minutes 2 x 20 minutes Or at least 40mins consecutive game time	Every 4 years or gain higher badge
Zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Centre Award</li> <li>Zone Theory Pass</li> <li>Coaching</li> <li>Screening</li> </ul>	Minimum 4 x 10 minute game	Every 4 years or gain higher badge
NZ C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Zone Award</li> <li>NZ Theory pass</li> <li>Coaching</li> <li>Recommended Fitness level</li> <li>Screening</li> </ul>	Game standard approved by NZUDG - 4 x 10 minutes or - at least 3 x 15 minutes	Every 4 years or gain higher badge
NZ B	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Zone or NZ C Award</li> <li>NZ Theory Pass</li> <li>Coaching</li> <li>Recommended Fitness level</li> <li>Screening</li> </ul>	Game standard approved by NZUDG - 4 x 10 minutes - or - 4 x 15 minutes	Every 4 years or gain higher badge
NZ A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NZ B</li> <li>Coaching</li> <li>Recommended Fitness level</li> <li>screening</li> </ul>	- 4 x 15 minutes only at NZ Championships or NZU23	Every 4 years or gain IUA
IUA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NZA</li> </ul>		Every 4 years

NB: Zone Theory may not be attempted until the Centre Award is completed. Likewise NZ Theory may not be attempted until Zone Award is completed.

Please contact NM CNM if you have any questions regarding the pathway.