



## **Guidance for Mentors in Berkshire Junior Netball League**

1. Mentors are required for ALL Into Officiating umpires taking charge of matches in the BJNL.
2. Mentors must be qualified to C Award or above.
3. Mentors are expected to be attentive, observing the umpire throughout the game and providing feedback at the end of the game. If the mentor deems it necessary, feedback can be given during the intervals if they observe that the umpire is consistently failing to notice certain infringements.
4. Mentors should be positioned away from the team bench in order to remain focussed on observing the umpire.
5. Mentors are not expected to walk the line with an umpire but can, if they feel it is necessary, move around the court so that they are in the best position to observe the umpire.
6. In addition to a mentor, ALL U18 umpires require a responsible adult to be in attendance (not a parent). This could be the Team Manager but must not be the coach or primary carer. The role of the responsible adult is to provide additional support outside of that provided by the mentor.