



## **THINKING OF BECOMING AN UMPIRE?**

### ***Eligibility?***

All you need is desire and enthusiasm to become an umpire!

If you are 14 years of age or older (Age is no barrier- we would love to see Adults come out to) and have knowledge and enjoyment in netball you are eligible to become a trainee umpire for Eastern Districts Netball Association.

### **What is a trainee?**

A Trainee is a learning umpire. You will be placed with an experienced umpire beside you to guide and instruct you with the finer points of becoming a competent and confident Umpire.

### ***What do I need?***

Enthusiasm & commitment to learn the art of umpiring.  
Confident use of the whistle: don't be shy.  
Basic knowledge of the rules

### **How many games a week will I get as a Trainee?**

There will be a roster system for trainees. Trainees can only be placed on games when trainers are available and generally on Primary age games which play full rules but no finals are involved. This means you usually start with 2 games a week.

### **How long will I be a trainee?**

As long as it takes to ensure that you are confident and competent! EDNA has found most enthusiastic trainees become confident after 1 complete season.

### **How much money will I earn?**

As a trainee you will earn \$10 a game but once competent and umpiring on your own you can earn \$18 a game unqualified and more if you wish to continue with accreditation. (revised summer 2018)

### ***Do I have to pass a test?***

You will be expected to complete the online theory exam with a pass of 70% preferably before the season starts or within the first two weeks of becoming a trainee.