

SDNA League Umpires - Season 2017-2018

Welcome to Team White! This season we have made several changes to match nights, the support available to umpires and access to resources. We hope this will encourage a Team White where individuals can continue to develop and together we can enjoy umpiring in the Salisbury league.

We have put together this pack of information to highlight some of the changes. Please take the time to have a read through and familiarise yourself with what is available and what has changed.

Communications

- **Contact details** for the Umpire secretaries, Dan and Lucy:

Email: umpiresecretarysdnl@gmail.com

Lucy's Mobile: 07801 371382

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- **Salisbury Team White Facebook group** has been set up as an area for Salisbury Umpires to support each other, share knowledge, discuss rules and if needed swap match commitments. We would like all Salisbury umpires to join. To be part of the group please add 'Lucy Gant (nee Allanson-Bailey)' as a Facebook friend and Lucy will add you to the group.

Salisbury Team White

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1433854656697595/>

- **SDNA have a Facebook group** where league wide information is shared. To be added to this group you need to be Facebook friends with an existing member. If your team does not have any existing members then add 'Lucy Gant (nee Allanson-Bailey)' as a Facebook friend and Lucy will add you to the group. It is then a good idea if you add the rest of your team to this group as well so everyone is informed.

Salisbury District Netball Association - SDNA

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/106984479754682/>

Umpiring Commitments

All teams have registered umpires to cover their league match commitments. It is the responsibility of the team and listed umpire to ensure their commitments are covered. It is not the responsibility of the umpiring secretaries so they should not be expected to find cover.

Where a club has listed umpires who are also players, it is expected that a player will prioritise their club umpiring commitment over their game. For example if a club have an A Team match in which their designated umpire is playing and a B Team umpiring commitment which they have been unable to find cover for, then the player would need to meet the clubs umpiring commitment and not play during that time. This is because Umpires are required for matches to go ahead and to ensure the smooth running of the league.

Kit

To help make our umpires easily identifiable and to unite us as Team White we have explored several clothing options. SDNA committee has agreed to make a significant contribution towards the cost of one item per umpire and Dan has also secured some funding from our Sponsor - Wiltshire College. The items on offer and maximum costs to umpires for their first item are detailed below.

It would be great if each umpire was able to purchase an item either personally or through the support of their club. If this is not possible there is the option of having a set of white 'Umpire' bibs which could be distributed and collected each match night.

Please select a prioritised list of items you may want on the register. We will confirm final costs and options once we have a full picture of what individuals would like.

Item	Image	Maximum Cost to Umpire
Performance T-Shirt - white with UMPIRE in black on the back and logos on the front and arm.		£5
Hooded Sweatshirt - white with UMPIRE in black on the back and logos on the front and arm.		£7.50
Micro-fleece lined waterproof jacket - white with UMPIRE in black on the back and logos on the front and arm.	See available example.	£17.50

Item	Image	Maximum Cost to Umpire
Bibs - white with UMPIRE in black and logos on the front and rear.		£0

Equipment

In the Salisbury league it has been directed that scorers and timers must provide their own equipment. For most matches this works without any problems; however, if they do not provide the appropriate equipment then it is likely to have a negative impact on the umpire(s). Therefore, we advise that you come prepared with your own equipment just in case. You should have:

- A timer (a mobile phone is not acceptable)
- Score cards for wet and dry conditions.
- Pen or pencil
- Mini clip board or alternative rest

The umpire secretaries will have a box of supplies including score cards, whistles, clip boards and timers should you wish to purchase them.

If you have a match where a team fail to provide the appropriate equipment, please inform the umpire secretaries.

Match Nights

To reduce the number of people moving around the courts and support umpire safety, the SDNA committee have agreed to change the layout of the courts. Previously known as court 1, the first court will be used for those playing in the later games to warm up without disrupting the early games. In addition, we will now have designated team areas associated with each court. There is a diagram of the new layout included in this pack and there will be signs placed on each court.

We will be encouraging all additional players, coaches, spectators and kit to remain in the team areas, with timers and scorers in the usual position along one side line. Please ensure the team locate themselves in these areas during any matches you are umpiring to help instate this new format.

There will be a table set up on match nights as a focal area for umpires. Please arrive at the table prior to your match so umpires can be allocated to a court - this might differ from the fixtures list due to some umpires not being able to cover certain games. Should you have any questions or difficulties during a match night you can come to the table and one of the umpire secretaries or a member of the SDNA committee will come over to assist you.

Scorers and Timers

To ensure our umpires are supported by competent scorers and timers we have produced an instruction card. There is one included in this pack. This will be shared with all teams to support wider learning. There will also be laminated copies available on match nights should they be needed for scorers and timers who may not be familiar with what is required.

Resources

- If you haven't had a look at it before, the England Netball website has a number of [Umpire Resources](#) which are worth looking through. You can navigate to the umpire information from the main page using the links to 'Make the Game'- 'Officiating'.

England Netball Main Page: <https://www.Englandnetball.co.uk>

Officiating main page: <https://www.Englandnetball.co.uk/make-the-game/officiating/>

Practise Theory Papers: <https://www.Englandnetball.co.uk/make-the-game/officiating/resources-downloads/>

C award Practise papers and resources: <https://www.Englandnetball.co.uk/make-the-game/officiating/c-award-resources/>

- [SDNA Umpire Resources](#) such as electronic copies of the information in this pack can be found via the SDNA website:
<http://www.salisburynetball.co.uk/umpires.html>