# Swiss netball officiating newsletter

# + **May** 2025

#### note from officiating lead

This season was a very successful one for our officiating community. I hope each individual feels that we are creating an environment where they can become the best that they can be. Thank you to everyone for embracing the ambitious goals we are setting for ourselves. This will enable us to continue going from strength to strength in the 2025-2026 season.





#### season success

Congratulations to all who qualified this season!

**B Award Assessors** Carol D'Alberti <sup>Jura</sup> Jana Maritz

Umpire Mentors Carol D'Alberti <sup>Jura</sup> Emily Oviedo GIN Jana Maritz Swiss Netball Layla Yasin Meinier

Linda Gummery <sub>Nyon</sub> Moniek van Rossum <sub>GIN</sub> Sarah Gillett <sub>Meinier</sub>



A Aword Umpire Jana Maritz Swiss Netball

**B Aword Umpire** Sharon Jay GGNA

C Award Umpires Deborah Loze <sub>Nyon</sub>

Edwin van Geffen

Eleonora Nucci Meinier

Lamonie Dean

Sofia Romanova Meinier We currently have 37 individuals on the C Award Pathway. 12 are C-in-Training Umpires preparing for the practical assessment. Please show support to them by providing mentoring, support, umpiring opportunities to them while they prepare for their assessments. We want them all to succeed.

#### **CIT Umpires**

Aleksandra Dovgopola LGB Jets

Aoife Scanlon

Ariadne Christodoulou

Gabriela Costa Younes LGB Jets

Georgia Goddard

Jennifer Jones Lausanne

Johanna Sargeant

Kiera McArthur

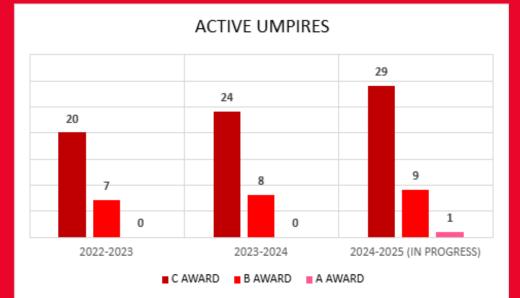
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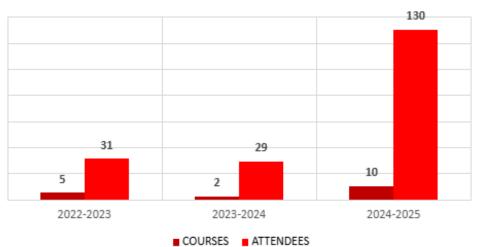
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Mary Parrish

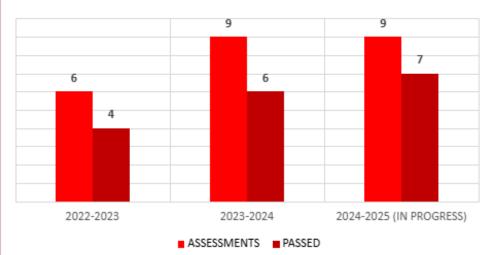
# growth statistics



#### OFFICIATING COURSES vs ATTENDEES



#### UMPIRE ASSESSMENTS TAKEN vs PASSED



#### look the part

We are extremely proud to have launched an officiating kit. We can not wait to see you all looking match ready next season. Click here to place your order: <u>Officiating Kit Order Form</u> For whistle & rules book orders, email officiating@swissnetball.ch

#### swiss netballC **NEW KIT** AVAILABLE ! TECHNICAL UMPIRES WON REGRO order Now OFFICIALS XX ORDER NOW ORDER NOV X Log Book

#### reminder to register

9 June - Rules Discussion -Reflection Peppermill & other12 June - Swiss Netball AGA

15 June - Submit Logbooks

#### sept 2025

3 Sept - Kick-Off Meeting
4 Sept - TO Training
9 & 13 Sept - TO Course
10 & 13 Sept - C Course
14, 21, 27 & 28 Sept -Mentoring

#### 2025-2026 officiating events



#### oct 2025

4 & 5 Oct - Mentoring

11 Oct - BA Written Assessment

#### **aug** 2025

12 - 28 August Officiating Individual Sessions

#### **nov** 2025

4 & 25 Nov -Rules Discussions 2 & 3 5 & 8 Nov - C Course 19 & 21 Nov - TO Course 23 Nov - JCT 30 Nov - Mentoring

#### **mar** 2026

14 Mar - Peppermill

24 Mar -Rules Discussion 5

28 & 29 Mar - (TBC) Friendly International Tournament

28 & 29 Mar - Mentoring

# **jan** 2026

22 & 24 Jan - C Course 27 Jan -

Rules Discussion 4

28 & 31 Nov - B Course

10-11, 25 & 31 Jan -Mentoring

#### **apr** 2026

28 April -Rules Discussion 6 11-12 & 25-26 Apr - Mentoring

## feb 2026

21-22 Feb - (TBC) Friendly International Tournament

1, 21-22 Feb - Mentoring

### **may** 2026

9 May - Mentoring



# what is new next season?

C Award Pathway The C Award Pathway has been updated. The goal with the updated pathway is for candidates to engage with the rules before attending the C Course. The Into Umpiring Course have been replaced with a self-study pre-course module, which must be completed and submitted before attending the C Course. The course fee has been revised to include the module. as well as 3 mentoring sessions.

Click here for Umpire Pathway

#### Technical Officials Pathway

The Swiss Netball Technical Officials Pathway will be introduced and implemented next season. In an attempt to create educational resources, grow netball knowledge, and improve the standard of our events, we are providing an opportunity for individuals to obtain a formal Technical Official qualification. Swiss Netball will expect each club to have a minimum of 2 qualified Technical Officials by the end of next season. We encourage all umpires to also take the course. Click here for TO Pathway

Officiating Policy We are hard at work completing the Officiating Policy. The policy will serve as a good practice guideline for all aspects of Officiating in Switzerland.

The policy will be discussed in detail in the Officiating Kick-Off Meeting in September 2025.

#### debbi's tips

We reached out to Debbi Loze, who obtained her C Award this season. We asked her to share some tips with our umpires who are currently on the C Award Pahway. Debbi overcame set backs and stayed determined to achieve the award. We hope Debbi's drive will inspire many others.

Here are her tips:

#### Get networking!

Create opportunities to umpire, contact other clubs, visit their training sessions, suggest friendlies, attend Swiss Netball events...

#### Mix it up!

Get exposed to different types of play: mixed, juniors, seniors, ultra-competitive, spritely youth. It all helps. Start with basics Master position, timing and vision first and then all the rest is much clearer. Be a sponge! Absorb feedback from mentors and other umpires. it's a very sharing community. And... Action! Whistle in hand, be strong, loud voice and confident, you've got this! Don't give up! The journey might be long, but everyone wants you to pass and you will get there!



























# thank you

Thank you for a great season! Enjoy the summer break.

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