

## NATIONAL BADGE UMPIRE - INDOOR HOCKEY

Umpires on the England Hockey National Badge Indoor Hockey Umpire Register are eligible for selection to all England Hockey National Indoor Hockey competitions. In addition, they may be eligible for selection to be nominated for international appointments.

### Qualifying Criteria:

- The candidate will be required to successfully complete the Bleep Test (minimum Level 6.5 women and 7.5 men).
- The candidate will be nominated by the NPUSP having been assessed in the England Hockey National Indoor Hockey League.
- The candidate will be currently active in the highest area of the England Hockey National Indoor Hockey League.

### Assessment Procedure:

- Candidates will be assessed while umpiring a minimum of four matches, at least two of which must be in the Premier Division of the England Hockey National Indoor Hockey League or at any other suitable event agreed by the NPUSP.
- Candidates shall be assessed by two different England Hockey appointed assessors within the four matches. The assessors will agree whether the candidate shall or shall not be awarded the National Indoor Badge.
- The assessors shall be qualified in one or more of the following areas:
  - A member of the National Programme Indoor Umpire Selection Panel (NPUSP).
  - An appointed member of the National Level 3 Umpire Coaches Register.

National Indoor Badge Umpires may be eligible for nomination to international umpiring appointments.

### Registration Procedures:

Following the completion of successful assessment, the NPUSP will notify the England Hockey Umpire Development Manager (UDM). The UDM will send an Indoor Umpire National Badge and Registration Card directly to the umpire. The UDM will also send an invoice for the Registration Fee. The Fee is £20.00 and cheques are to be made payable to England Hockey.

### Maintenance:

The NPUSP may remove a National Badge Indoor Umpire from the Register, but the qualification (accreditation) cannot be withdrawn. The circumstances under which an umpire can be removed from the National Badge Indoor Register include retirement from umpiring, no longer performing to the required standard, or for disciplinary reasons.