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Welcome to Netball World Officiating News – a new, quarterly newsletter dedicated to the world of netball officiating. Read on for a quick round up off what has happened in International Officiating in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2017.

A new officiating webpage is available on the INF Website which was launched at the end of 2016:  
<http://netball.org/game/officiating>

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## OFFICIATING

There are two key strands to officiating: Match Officials (two umpires and a reserve) and Technical Officials (scorers, timekeepers and any other officials specified for an event).

As with coaching, the approach to Match and Technical Official development varies throughout the world. A number of INF Members have developed resources for Match and Technical Officials. Many make these widely available and can be found via their websites or by contacting National Associations directly.

At the international level the INF oversee the development and implementation of the International Umpire Award (IUA) and the INF provides an INF Technical Officials Manual which focuses on international events.

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Officiating Advisory Groups (OAGs) that ran through 2016 came to a conclusion with the result being the International Umpiring Handbook containing updated procedures which are accessible on the INF Website: <http://netball.org/game/officiating/international-umpiring-handbook>

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## INTERNATIONAL UMPIRING HANDBOOK

This is a handbook for use by International Umpires' Award (IUA), International Talent Identified Umpire (ITID), International Umpires' Award Testing Panel (ITP), ITP Cadets and INF Members organising International Netball events.

Published documents and information can be accessed by clicking on the names listed below.

INTERNATIONAL UMPIRING HANDBOOK				
<b>INF ITP &amp; ITP Cadet Procedures</b>	<i>INF Procedure for the ITP Programme - Approved October 2016</i>	<i>INF Procedure for the Coaching of Umpires on Rankings Games - Approved January 2017</i>	Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for ITP and ITP Cadet [creation scheduled as part of INF OAG2017-5]	
<b>INF IUA &amp; ITID Procedures</b>	<i>INF Procedure for the IUA and ITID Programme - approved February 2017</i>	<i>INF Procedure for IUA Testing - Approved January 2017</i>	Competencies for the IUA Testing Procedure [Creation scheduled as part of INF OAG2017-8]	
<b>INF Umpire and UAP Appointment Procedures</b>	<i>INF Procedure for the Deployment of Umpires and UAP - Approved January 2017</i>	<i>INF Procedure for Appointment of Umpires to Rankings Matches - Approved February 2017</i>	INF Procedure for Ranking International Umpires (with matches to be categorised accordingly) [creation being considered as part of INF OAG2016-2]	
<b>INF Forms for International Umpiring</b>	<i>INF Match Assessment Report Form - Approved January 2017</i>	<i>INF Umpire Event Report Form - Approved January 2017</i>	<i>INF UAP Event Report form - Approved October 2016</i>	<i>INF Event Organiser Event Report Form - Approved January 2017</i>
<b>INF Rules of Netball, Codes and OAG</b>	<i>INF Rules of Netball and Match Protocols</i>	<i>INF Codes of Conduct</i>	<i>INF Officiating Advisory Group (OAG) Terms of Reference</i>	
<b>INF Umpire Fitness Standards</b>	<i>INF Fitness Standards from Oct 2015</i> [review scheduled as part of INF OAG2017-2]	<i>INF Umpire Fitness Form (Revised October 2015)</i> [review scheduled as part of INF OAG2017-2]		

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Membership of the OAGs due to commence in 2017 are currently being considered in line with the OAG Terms of Reference:

<http://netball.org/inside-inf/committees-and-panels/officiating-advisory-group>

The Netball World Youth Cup (NWYC) 2017 Umpire and Umpires Appointment Panel (UAP) have been announced:

<http://netball.org/archives/6922>

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**INF Umpire And UAP Appointments For The Netball World Youth Cup 2017**

24 January, 2017

The International Netball Federation (INF) is pleased to announce that the following have been appointed as Umpires and Umpires Appointment Panel (UAP) for the Netball World Youth Cup (NWYC) which is being held in Gaborone, Botswana 8<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> July 2017.

**Umpires**

International Talent Identified Umpire (ITID):

- Abednico Cheteio
- Joel Brown
- Tracy-Ann Griffiths
- Wayne Benti
- Alison Davies (Pictured)
- Chakatsa Lephole

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The INF Rules of Netball Guidelines are available on the INF Website which have to be used at international events and contains advice from INF Rules Advisory Panel (RAP) of the correct course of action that should be applied in given scenarios:

Section named 'INF Rules of Netball Guidelines' at [netball.org/game/the-rules-of-netball](http://netball.org/game/the-rules-of-netball)



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## THE RULES OF NETBALL



At INF Congress 2015 new Rules were approved for implementation in International Matches from January 1 2016.

The rules are available below and the translations into Traditional Chinese are underway.

[Click here to download the 2016 Rules in English](#)

[Click here to download the 2016 Rules in French](#)

[Click here to download the 2016 Rules in Hebrew](#)

[Click here to download the 2016 Rules in Spanish](#)

The INF Rules Advisory Panel (RAP) will continue to review the implementation of the rules to understand if any further changes need to be considered.

**Please note:**

The Rules remain at all times the property of the International Netball Federation and copies of the Rules downloaded here are strictly not for sale or re-print. If you would like to purchase a Rules of Netball book these are available from the national netball associations that are affiliated to INF or from the INF itself – [inf@netball.org](mailto:inf@netball.org)

### Rules of Fast5 Netball



INF's 5-a-side format of the sport with opportunities to score 1, 2 or 3 Goal Points from each shot, Fast5 was launched 2012. The INF Fast5 Rules have been adapted in line with the INF Rules of Netball 2016.

[Click here to download the 2016 Fast5 Rules in English](#)

### INF Rules of Netball Guidelines

[INF Rules – RAP response to questions from INF Members \(Updated February 2017\)](#)

[INF Match Protocols \(June 2016\)](#)

[INF What's new in the new INF Rules? \(November 2015\)](#)

[INF Rules changes summary \(October 2015\)](#)

Four new International Talent Identified Umpires (ITID) have been announced:  
<http://netball.org/archives/7641>

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## The INF Are Pleased To Announce That There Are Four New International Talent Identified Umpires (ITID)

24 February, 2017

The International Netball Federation (INF) are pleased to announce that there are four new International Talent Identified Umpires (ITID):

- Susan Forsman
- Bronwen Adams
- Emma Davey
- James Matthews

These umpires have been recognised as showing potential to gain an International Umpire Award (IUA) and will be considered for international appointments accordingly. Congratulations and the INF wishes them well in their umpiring.

For more information in regards to international umpiring please refer to the officiating area of the INF website:  
[www.netball.org/game/officiating](http://www.netball.org/game/officiating)

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If you have any questions, concerns or good news to share please do get in touch.

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