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USEFUL LINKS:

Wiltshire County FA Website

Referees Section https://www.wiltshirefa.com/referees

Whole Game System

Online platform to manage your referee administration e.g. discipline input. https://wholegame.thefa.com

IFAB Laws of the Game

Keep refreshing your understanding of law by visiting the interactive website (mobile phone app also available.)

http://www.theifab.com/

MOAS

If you're involved with FA Competitions then you need to keep the FA updated with your closed dates on the system.

https://moas.thefa.com/

PROMOTION PATHWAY:

The Promotion Pathway was introduced by The FA to allow match officials to progress through the pyramid of football.

Below is an outline of the Level's in the Women's Promotion Pathway and an explanation of how you can progress through the Refereeing System.

- **Level 1W** Women's Super League (Referee on the FA Women's Super League and Women's Championship.)
- Level 2W Women's Championship (Referee on the Women's Championship and Assistant Referee on FA Women's Super League.)
- **Level 3W** Women's National League (Referee on the Six Women's National League Divisions and Assistant Referee on the Women's Championship.)
- **Level 4W** Women's Regional Referee (Referee on the Women's Regional and County Leagues.)
- Level YW Women's Youth Referee (Operating in all Youth Matches.)

You can apply for promotion once you are a Level 4W Referee (once you turn 16.)

From Level 4W you can apply for 3W and then once you reach 3W you can apply for 2W etc. There are no double jumps in the female pathway due to the reduced number of levels in the promotion criteria.

Promotion from Level 4W – 3W is controlled within the County FA. Once you reach Level 3W you then become a National League Referee and appointments and observations will be controlled by the National FA.

All fitness tests will be carried out nationally by the FA for all levels of the Women's Game.

INTRODUCTION:

Dear Level 3W-2W Promotion Candidate,

We are pleased to announce the launch of the promotion scheme for the 2021/22 season running from the 1^{st} July 2021 to the 30^{th} April 2022.

This document will provide you with the required information about the promotion scheme and what is expected of you as a promotion candidate.

By applying for promotion, you are expressing an interest to progress as a match official through the refereeing pyramid. If you were to be successful in your promotion you would go on to officiate at a higher level of football and you would begin to receive appointments from the National FA.

Wiltshire County FA will help to support you through your referee promotion and will provide support and training to develop you as a match official.

The criteria required for the Level 3W-2W promotion scheme is outlined in this booklet, however, please do not hesitate to be in touch with one of the staff contacts listed above if you require anymore information.

We wish you the best of luck in your promotion and the future of your refereeing career.

PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS:

All Level 3W to 2W promotion candidates will be expected to meet the following criteria:

- Referee a <u>minimum</u> of twenty (20) open-age matches during the promotion season (at least 70% in women's football)
- Complete a <u>minimum</u> of eight (8) open-age matches as an Assistant Referee on a Supply League
- Referee a <u>minimum</u> of five (5) FA Women's National League fixtures
- Receive five observations during the promotion season
- Must pass the standard FA fitness test
- Must attend a Regional In-Service Nomination Training Sessions, delivered by the FA
- Must complete a written multiple-choice examination on the Laws of the Game

Please note that if you fail the mandatory fitness test then you will have one opportunity to redo this. Failure to pass the test on the second attempt will result in your withdrawal from the promotion scheme.

In addition to the above, all promotion applicants must:

- Re-register for the season by no later than
- Complete all relevant safeguarding training
- Respond to all correspondence efficiently by email
- Maintain a record of all matches, whether as Referee or Assistant Referee
- Be proficient in the completion and submission of misconduct reports
- Attend disciplinary hearings as and when required

OBSERVATION SCHEME / MATCH SUBMISSION:

All Promotion Candidates will have access to a shared 'Google Spreadsheet' – this document will be shared with all promotion candidates and observers and will act as a 'live document' for the coming season. The document includes;

- Details of all promotion candidates (so observers can contact you/your parent/carer)
- Detail of all qualified observers (so you can contact observers)
- Tab for each month of the season (so you can upload you games next to you name, and an observer can notify you of his intention to carry out an assignment).

Referee responsibilities;

It is the referee's responsibility to sign into the spreadsheet and update their fixture details for each month. There are 6 spaces for fixtures as you scroll across from your name. Please update with the 6 most relevant fixtures for observing.

Referee Name	Date/Time	Fixture	Location Postcode	Observer
	17th Oct 2020	Melksham Town 'A' v Three		
Joe Bloggs	(3pm)	Daggers	SN12 7GU	

Each referee will be able check the live status of whether of not and observer has appointed themselves to a game – and as such if a game is changed or postponed, we would ask them to contact the observer. Please also see note below – in that we would hope there would be some two dialogue before the game.

OBSERVER RESPONSIBILITIES

It is the observer's responsibility to sign into the spreadsheet and update their name next to the fixtures in the 'shaded' observer box to claim an assignment. We appreciate observers will only be able to do this based on their availability/commitments, and as such some assignments may be claimed last minute. We encourage observers to contact referees (or parent/guardian) should they decide to pick up a game. It is important to update the spreadsheet as it will avoid multiple observers turning up at the same games.

On completion of the fixture – the observer will follow the protocols set out in the FA Guidance to ensure you receive feedback. The observer will then submit the report to the County FA, and this will be stored on your record and taken into consideration for your promotion.

It is the match official's responsibility to work with observers to assure that their games are being observed in order to reach the required number of observations.

If promotion candidates feel that they aren't getting the number of observations they require or are going months without being observed, it is their responsibility to contact the County FA and ask for assistance.

Post-Match Debrief:

- Due to COVID-19 all post-match observer debriefs' s will now take place virtually until advised otherwise.
- The debrief is to be organised between the referee and observer and will take place over the desired platform e.g. zoom, phone call.
- The debrief should take no longer than 20 minutes and should be inclusive of both the referee and observers' opinions.

*NOTE: The 3W-2W Observation Scheme highlights that observations will also be appointed by the FA. These appointments will be highlighted on MOAS which will be used by candidates to manage their open and closed dates for the Women's National League.

OBSERVATION COMPETENCIES:

The competency framework enables referees to understand what is required to progress as well as providing the observer with a method of determining the referees' potential against agreed criteria.

The specific competencies observed vary at the different levels of promotion; but they are designed to allow a referee to demonstrate their ability to officiate at a higher level.

Level 4W-3W Competencies observed are the same as the 6-5 Observation Scheme:

Application of Law
Match Control
Positioning and Movement
Fitness
Management (Verbal and Non-Verbal Signals)
Alertness and Awareness

Level 3W-2W Competencies observed are the same as the 5-4 Observation Scheme:

Application of Law
Match Control
Positioning, Fitness and Work Rate
Stoppages & Technical Offenses
Communication
Teamwork
Game Understanding

If you wish to see the Level 5-4 Observer Competencies Guidance please be in touch with someone at the County FA.

LEAGUE CONTACT DETAILS:

See below a list of the leagues across Wiltshire that you can register to officiate on. Next to each league is the email address of the referee appointment officer. If you wish to register to officiate on their league, please contact them for further information and registration details.

Youth Leagues:

Mid Wilts Youth League – mauricedchilcott@gmail.com North Wilts Youth League – luke.hinchliffe@nwyfl.co.uk Wiltshire Women and Girls League –colinnunn69@gmail.com Wiltshire U18 Floodlight League - colinnunn69@gmail.com

Adult Leagues:

Swindon Sunday League – chrismh2002@yahoo.co.uk
Chippenham and District Sunday League – cdsflrefsec@hotmail.com
Salisbury and District Sunday League – timothyhoskins1964@gmail.com
Swindon and District Saturday League – markparishaines@gmail.com
Trowbridge and District League (Saturday) – trowrefsec@outlook.com
Wiltshire Senior Football League – adie.cripps@wiltshireseniorleague.co.uk
Wiltshire Veterans League – colinnunn69@gmail.com
Wiltshire Women and Girls League – colinnunn69@gmail.com
South West Women's League – colinnunn69@gmail.com
Women's National League (FA League) – Carla.parker@thefa.com

Adult Leagues – Assistant Referee Appointments:

Wiltshire Senior League – adie.cripps@wiltshireseniorleague.co.uk Wessex League – asstreferees.wessexleague@gmail.com Western League – ian.purchase@toolstationleague.com Hellenic League – max.thompson.uhlro@outlook.com