

UPDATING REQUIREMENTS

Netball Australia recommends that all Bench Officials who attain their accreditation continue to upgrade their knowledge, skills and competencies.

The updating program aims to raise the overall quality of bench officials within netball by ensuring they are provided with ongoing education and development opportunities covering areas such as:

- Keeping abreast of the latest information on developments within netball.
- Rules knowledge and current interpretations.
- Having access to the most up-to-date procedures and protocols related to bench officiating.

Netball Australia requires a bench official to reach the specified number of points of updating activity to remain accredited at the relevant accreditation level.

Accreditation	Update Requirements
Foundation	Attain the Intermediate Bench Official Accreditation within four years of the achievement date. OR Achieve 10 points of updating activity over a four-year period.
Intermediate	Attain the Elite Bench Official Accreditation within four years of the achievement date. OR Achieve 20 points of updating activity over a four-year period.
Elite	Attain the Elite Bench Official Accreditation within four years of the achievement date. OR Achieve 30 points of updating activity over a four-year period.
High Performance	Achieve 40 points of updating activity over a four-year period.

a) Updating Activities

50% of the required updating points should be completed through practical bench officiating.

Practical bench officiating can be undertaken at any level and may occur on a regular basis (weekly, fortnightly) or in specific situations such as camps, carnivals etc.

Successful completion of the Rules of Netball Exam is a mandatory component of reaccreditation. The official must achieve the appropriate mark required for the accreditation level.

b) Netball Australia Foundation Bench Official Update Criteria

Netball Australia Foundation Bench Official Accreditation is valid for four (4) years. The period starts when a Netball Australia certificate of accreditation is issued.

Points to be completed: 10 (Minimum practical component: 5 hours) 1 point = 1 hour

Updating Requirements	
Event	Points
Practical bench officiating	5 points
Complete the Rules of Netball Theory Exam - 70% or higher	5 points
Attain Netball Australia Intermediate Bench Official Accreditation	Meet total requirements

c) Netball Australia Intermediate Bench Official Update Criteria

Netball Australia Intermediate Bench Official Accreditation is valid for four (4) years. The period starts when a Netball Australia certificate of accreditation is issued.

Points to be completed: 20 (Minimum practical component: 10 hours) 1 point = 1 hour

Updating Requirements	
Event	Points
Practical bench officiating	10 points
Complete the Rules of Netball Theory Exam - 70% or higher	5 points
Attend Member Organisation approved bench official workshop	5 points
Complete Netball Australia online education course (non-accredited)	5 points per course
Complete the Netball Australia online Foundation Umpire Course	5 points
Complete the ASC Introductory Officiating General Principles online course	5 points
Attain Netball Australia Elite Bench Official Accreditation	Meets total requirements

d) Netball Australia Elite Bench Official Update Criteria

Netball Australia State Bench Official Accreditation is valid for four (4) years. The period starts when a Netball Australia certificate of accreditation is issued.

Points to be completed: 30 (Minimum practical component: 20 hours) 1 point = 1 hour

Updating Requirements	
Event	Points
Practical bench officiating, which may include appointment as a Bench Manager for Highest level state competition, NNC, ANC OR SSN	20 points
Complete the Rules of Netball Theory Exam – 80% or higher	5 points
Attend/Elite Member Organisation approved bench official workshop	5 points
Complete Netball Australia online education course (non-accredited)	5 points per course
Complete the Netball Australia online Foundation Umpire Course	5 points
Complete the ASC Introductory Officiating General Principles online course	5 points
Attain Netball Australia High-Performance Bench Official Accreditation	Meets total requirements

e) Netball Australia High Performance Bench Official Update Criteria

Netball Australia High Performance Bench Official Accreditation is valid for four (4) years. The period starts when a Netball Australia certificate of accreditation is issued.

Points to be completed: 40 (Minimum practical component: 10 hours) 1 point = 1 hour

Updating Requirements	
Event	Points
Practical bench officiating, which may include appointment as a Bench Manager for highest level state competition, ANC OR SSN	30 points
Complete the Rules of Netball Theory Exam – 90% or higher	5 points
Facilitate a Member Organisation based workshop	5 points
Complete Netball Australia online education course (non-accredited)	5 points per course
Complete the Netball Australia online Foundation Umpire Course	5 points
Complete the ASC Introductory Officiating General Principles online course	5 points
Attend Member Organisation approved bench official workshop	5 points

f) Updating Process

Bench Officials can update their accreditation online through the online Netball Learning platform

Member Organisation Exchange Programs

The purpose of the Member Organisation Exchange Program is to provide opportunities for Bench Officials, not a part of a Suncorp Super Netball state, to bench officiate with training support in another Member Organisation.

Member Organisation Exchanges are arranged at the discretion of each Member Organisation.

All associated costs (travel, accommodation, meal allowance) are to be paid by the organising Member Organisation.