

Water Polo Officials Pathway

Officiating	Club table official	Regional table official	National table official	International table official
Initial target	Local members of clubs for local league games.	Experienced club table officials who wish to progress as a table official.	Experienced regional table officials who wish to progress to attend national events. Those identified by delegates, senior referees and senior table officials for attendance.	Experienced regional table officials who wish to progress to attend international events. Those identified by delegates, senior referees and senior table officials for attendance.
Appropriate level	Local league games, regionally with supervision from a regional table official when experienced.	Regional championships, national junior events such as the Inter Regional Championships, NAGs and, with supervision from National Table Official – BWPL.	NAGs, British Water Polo League, British Championships.	International events.
Minimum age	14	16	17	18
Course delivery	Attendance at a club table official's course, completion of observation and practical assessment.	Attendance at a regional table official's course. Successful in the end of course exam. Practical assessment by an experienced regional table official or grade c referee in the three aspects.	Attendance at a national table official's course. Successful in the end of course exam. Practical assessment by an experienced national table official or grade b referee in the three aspects.	By invitation from Water Polo Management Group.
Pre-requisites	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swim England membership Payment of course fee 	In addition to club pre requisites: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum one years' experience as a club table official. Assessment by a regional table official or grade c referee as suitable for attendance on course. 	In addition to regional pre requisites: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum two years' experience as a club table official. Experience as regional more important here. Assessment by a national table official or grade b referee as suitable for attendance on course. 	In addition to national pre requisites: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum two years' experience as a national table official. Assessment by a current international table official or grade b referee as suitable for appointment.