



AREAS OF CONTROL

RULE REFERENCE

5.2.1

RELATED SANCTION AND ACTION

Free Pass
Throw In

ACTIVITY OBJECTIVE

To provide umpires with a basic knowledge of the **Playing Areas**, **Offside** and **Out of Court** rules through a fun and engaging classroom-based activity.

AREA REQUIRED

Your choice of indoor or outdoor playing area.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

1 x **Areas of Control** worksheet

1 x Rule book per umpire

1 x Pen or pencil per umpire

10-15 MINUTES DURATION

WHAT TO DO

- Photocopy and provide each umpire with a copy of the **Areas of Control** worksheet to complete.
- Once everyone has had an opportunity to complete their worksheet, discuss as a group.
- Use the **Ask the Umpires** questions to promote further discussions around the topic and reinforce the most important aspects of the learning by referencing the **Umpire Coaching Tips**.
- Always finish each training session with the **Quick Quiz** section.

UMPIRE COACHING TIPS

- Each umpire shall umpire in the same half of the court throughout the game.
- Immediately after a goal is scored, both umpires must indicate the direction of the Centre Pass, and if they disagree the umpires shall appeal to the scorer.
- The umpire who was controlling the half where the goal was just scored, shall restart the game at next centre pass.
- The umpire who is controlling the Centre Pass is responsible for penalising infringements by the Centre taking the Centre Pass and any opponent defending the pass, while the player is within the Centre Circle, (Rule 6.1.1 (v)).
- The umpire responsible for the Throw In is responsible for making decisions related to infringements by the player throwing in and that player's defending opponent/s. If the sanction is awarded in the other umpire's area, the umpire responsible for that half of the Court resumes control immediately the sanction has been set.

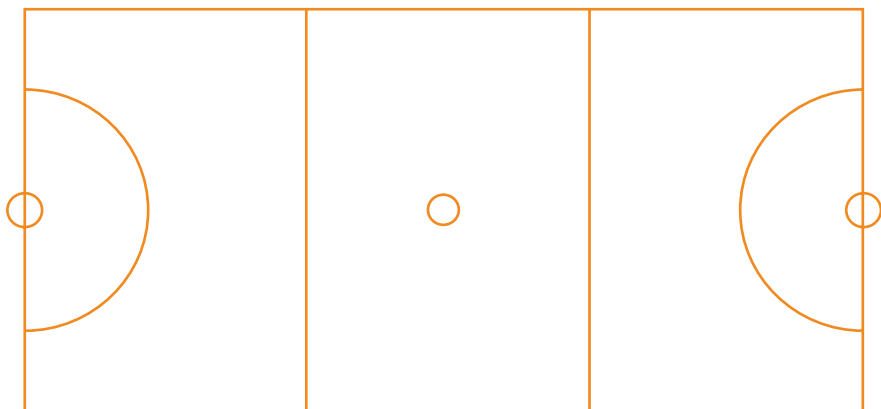
ASK THE UMPIRES

- Does the umpire control the same half throughout the game?
- Are all the lines considered part of the court?
- Which umpire controls the restart of play after a goal is scored?
- List the only time an umpire may find it necessary to enter the court.

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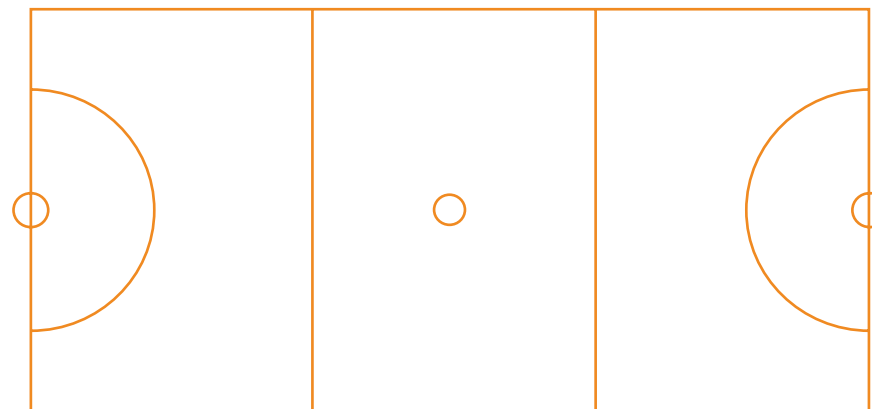
Two umpires control the game, each giving decisions in half the court. If Umpire A and Umpire B are controlling a game, complete the diagram showing:

- Area of control for both Umpire A and Umpire B inside the court area.
- Areas of control for both A and B umpires for Throw In decisions along the Goal Lines and Side Lines.



What hand signal do you use to indicate who should take the next Centre Pass? Describe or draw it.

On the court illustration below, label the different areas of the court, including the lines.



How will you keep track of the Centre Pass? What tool will you use?

UMPIRE NOTES

Quick Quiz

Refer to the instructions within the Starter Guide

1. Which of the following stops the game, the umpire's whistle, or the timekeeper's signal (for example, hooter)?
A. The Umpire's Whistle.
2. Which half of the court should be controlled by the umpire winning the toss for goal end?
A. The side of the court with the scorer and timer.
3. Describe the only occasion in which an umpire may give a decision in the other umpire's area of control?
A. If an act of foul play is not seen by the controlling umpire and a sanction has not been already awarded.
4. Who must signal the direction of each Centre Pass and when must this happen?
A. Both umpires and immediately after each goal is scored.
5. Which umpire is responsible for penalising infringements by the Centre taking the Centre Pass while the player is within the Centre Circle?
A. The Umpire who is controlling the Centre Pass.
6. Which umpire is responsible for making decisions related to infringements by the player throwing in?
A. The Umpire responsible for that Sideline or Goal Line.
7. Which umpire is responsible for making decisions related to infringements by an opponent on court defending the player taking a throw in?
A. The umpire responsible for that Sideline or Goal Line.
8. What would the umpire's ruling be if the ball strikes the umpire during play or if the umpire interferes with the movements of the players and neither team is affected?
A. Play continues.
9. Can an umpire criticize or coach any team- while a match is in progress?
A. No.