**Role outline: Club Umpire**

| **NAME OF CLUB:** | RIBBLE VALLEY |
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| **ROLE:** | Club Umpire |
| **RESPONSIBLE TO:** | CLUB COMMITTEE |
| **NAME OF VOLUNTEER** | Helen Tomlinson |
| **START DATE:** Sept 2021 | **END DATE:** Aug 2022 |

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* All England netball umpires should have comprehensive knowledge of all the match rules and protocols used in the game. It includes netball health and safety along with public security for any nonparticipants.
* Exclusive control of players and game flow is the main function of the two umpires and extra officials.
* Officiate with fairness and a respectful, understanding nature.
* To assist in the development of junior umpires within the club.
* To assume the role of tournament umpire for the club tournament.
* To umpire club regional, county and club tournaments where they are available.

**Responsibilities during a match:**

The umpires control a match according to the Rules and decide any

matter not covered by them. Their decisions are final and are given

without appeal.

(i) After the captains have notified the umpires of the result of the toss

for goal end or first centre pass, the umpires toss for goal end. The

umpire winning the toss controls the side line nearer the official

bench and the goal end to the right when facing the court. Each

umpire controls the same half of the court throughout the match.

(ii) An umpire’s whistle :

(a) Starts and ends each quarter/half

(b) Restarts play after a goal has been scored

(c) Indicates when an infringement is penalised

(d) May be used to indicate when the ball is out of court if

clarification is needed

(e) Signals when the timekeepers are to hold time for a stoppage

and when to restart timing play.

(iii) The umpires work co-operatively and may appeal to each other for

decisions. An umpire must be ready for such an appeal at all times.

(iv) Each umpire controls and gives decisions for one half of the court

including the goal line except as provided for in (v) and (vi) below and

Rule 6.1.1 (v). For this purpose the length of the court is divided in

half across the centre from side line to side line**.**

(v) Each umpire makes all decisions for the throw in on one side line

including infringements by the player taking the throw in or any

opponent defending that player. If the sanction is awarded in the

co-umpire’s half, the co-umpire resumes control once it has been set.

(vi) Either umpire may hold time for injury/illness of a player, blood, foul

play, an emergency or other appropriate circumstances.