



ADVANCED MATCH OFFICIAL AWARD

Considerations & Criteria for Potential Candidates

Season 2024/25

Considerations:

- The award course requires a minimum of 80 hours of commitment over a season.
 - Candidates must attend **all** contact days and complete seven eLearning modules and accompanying tasks to agreed deadlines:

Sunday 22nd September 2024 (F2F – Midlands area)

Sunday 24th November 2024 (Online)

Sunday 9th February 2025 (F2F – Midlands area)

Sunday 11th May 2025 (F2F – Midlands area)

***These dates are fixed and
NO catch-up / alternative
dates will be offered.***

- Candidates are encouraged to engage with all aspects of the award which includes regular contact to support the development of the group dynamic
- The course sits at Level 3 on the England Rugby Training Framework and as such requires a high degree of understanding around match officiating
- Candidates will require access to video / match footage from their own games to complete regular self-reviews.
 - Candidates must possess the ability to critically review processes and outcomes aligned to our key performance pillars. (PACT – Physical, Awareness, Commitment and Technical ability).
 - Candidates must be able to self-manage their learning.
 - The course requires that candidates are self-directed in their approach to learning and are driven to develop.

Please note: Not every candidate who has participated in the award has successfully completed it. The award is challenging and requires a real desire to improve your match officiating.

Criteria:

- Applicants are expected to have/be:
 - Completed England Rugby Referee Award qualification (or equivalent)
 - Completed RFU Headcase online concussion awareness within the last 12 months
 - Attended one match official CPD meeting / event in the previous 12 months
 - A valid DBS certificate (this DBS clearance must be approved by the RFU)
 - Actively officiating for the 2024/25 season (you will be reviewed against games at your current level)
 - 18 years of age or older. (As of September 1st, 2024)

Potential candidates are required to complete this online form: <https://forms.office.com/e/L3Bap90qpS>

Candidates must also submit the following to matchofficials@rfu.com

- A 20-minute video showing your officiating
- Your Rugby CV
- Your Individual Rugby Development Plan (IDP)

(This will require your name, along with the title AMOA 2024/25 Application Evidence)

Kind regards,

England Rugby Match Official Team