

# 'A' AND 'B' UMPIRE WRITTEN ASSESSMENT

## SAMPLE PAPER 2 QUESTION PAPER

JUNE 2024

### Information and Instructions

Time: 2 hrs

This paper comprises Section 1 and Section 2:-

Section 1 has 12 questions

Section 2 has 8 questions

Pass Mark	A Award	B Award
	Section 1 – 35/39 (90%)	Section 1- 29/39 (74%)
	Section 2 – 50/63 (79%)	Section 2- 43/63 (68%)

Learners must pass in both Sections.

### General

1. Learners are requested to use blue or black ink.
2. Tippex or similar materials should not be used.
3. Learners should not waste time on any question that they find difficult to answer and should return to that question at a later stage.
4. Please note in both Sections-
  - a. Learners are **not** required to quote Rule numbers, but they should name the relevant Rule Name and the relevant Rule Heading, for example:
    - Playing the ball and Prohibited Actions
    - Passing Distances and Short pass
    - Offside and Requirements
    - Obstruction and Player in possession of the ball
    - Contact and Interference
    - Foul Play and Unfair play
  - b. Assume that the teams involved are Red and Blue throughout this paper.
  - c. Answer all questions in the space provided. If there is not sufficient space, then continue on a separate piece of paper, which should be clearly marked with the Section number, the question number and the learner's name.
  - d. This paper is written using the **World Netball Rules of Netball 2024** and does not take into account any local league or country rule adaptations. Learners should only consider what is stated in the World Netball Rules Book 2024.

# SECTION 1

**This Section contains 12 questions. There are only 3 No Action Questions.**

Learners are required to write:-

- The infringement-the relevant Rule Name and the relevant Rule Heading (e.g. Out of court and Ball out of court, Obstruction and Player in possession of the ball). Rule numbers are not required.
- The sanction/action awarded ie Penalty Pass, Free Pass, Throw In etc. For a penalty pass, learners must name the player (team and position) against whom the sanction is awarded.
- To whom the Sanction is awarded
- Where the Sanction is taken from-note it is not sufficient to just answer 'Where the infringement occurred'.

**Example 1:**

Red GS has possession of the ball in the goal circle and is about to shoot for goal. Just before the shot, Blue GD hits the ball and this causes the Red GS to drop the ball.

What is the Infringement?	Contact and Interference (Rule 17.1 c.)  <div style="text-align: right;">(1 mark)</div>
What sanction/action would you award?	Penalty Pass against the Blue GD  <div style="text-align: right;">(1 mark)</div>
Who is the sanction/action awarded to?	Red team player allowed in the area  <div style="text-align: right;">(1 mark)</div>
Where is the sanction/action taken?	In goal circle where the Blue GD was standing when she contacted the ball, unless this disadvantages the non-infringing team (1 mark)

**Example 2:**

If the answer to a question is No Action – insert 'No Action' only

Blue WA has the ball in the Centre Third and the Red WD attempts to defend from behind and they are 0.9m (3 feet) away from their opponent.

What is the Infringement?	No Action  <div style="text-align: right;">(1 mark)</div>
What sanction/action would you award?	
Who is the sanction/action awarded to?	

Where is the sanction/action taken?	
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## SECTION 1 QUESTIONS

1. Blue WA calls for injury time. When the umpire asks 'Why'? Blue WA responds "I have injured my finger". Blue WA leaves the court with the Blue Team opting to leave the WA position vacant. Play restarts.

What is the Infringement?	
What sanction/action would you award?	
Who is the sanction/action awarded to?	
Where is the sanction/action taken?	

2. In an attempt to gain a better position Blue GS leaves the court and runs behind the goal post. In an attempt to defend, Red GK follows the Blue GS.

What is the Infringement?	
What sanction/action would you award?	
Who is the sanction/action awarded to?	
Where is the sanction/action taken?	

3. Red C takes possession of the ball in the air and lands on Blue WD. Blue WD was in this position before Red C jumped to take possession of the ball.

What is the Infringement?	
What sanction/action would you award?	
Who is the sanction/action awarded to?	
Where is the sanction/action taken?	

4. Blue GS is taking a shot. They throw the ball but it misses the ring. The ball brushes the goal net and Blue GS catches the ball before it is touched by another player.

What is the Infringement?	
What sanction/action would you award?	
Who is the sanction/action awarded to?	
Where is the sanction/action taken?	

5. Blue GA takes possession of the ball close to the goal post. Red GK is standing behind Blue GA attempting to defend with their hand over the ball. Red GK is not breaking the obstruction rule. As Blue GA prepares to shoot, they push the ball up into the hand of Red GK.

What is the Infringement?	
What sanction/action would you award?	
Who is the sanction/action awarded to?	
Where is the sanction/action taken?	

6. From just outside of the Goal Circle, Red C attempts to pass the ball to Red GS who is standing under the post. Red GS fails to catch the ball and it is caught by Blue GK who is positioned off court in the court surround near to the Goal Post.

What is the Infringement?	
What sanction/action would you award?	
Who is the sanction/action awarded to?	
Where is the sanction/action taken?	

7. Blue WD catches the ball in the air and lands on their left foot. They step forward onto their right foot. Whilst looking for the next pass, Blue WD drags their left foot before releasing the ball to pass.

What is the Infringement?	
What sanction/action would you award?	
Who is the sanction/action awarded to?	
Where is the sanction/action taken?	

8. Blue GK is taking a Throw In on the goal line. They pass the ball to Blue WD who is standing in the goal third but fails to touch the ball. It bounces past Blue WD and is caught by Blue WA who is standing in the Centre Third.

What is the Infringement?	
What sanction/action would you award?	
Who is the sanction/action awarded to?	
Where is the sanction/action taken?	

9. Red C is in possession of the ball in Centre Third, close to the transverse line of their attacking end. Blue GD and Blue GK are standing inside the Goal Circle marking Red GS so closely that, as the the Red GS moves, they contact the Blue GD and GK.

What is the Infringement?	
What sanction/action would you award?	
Who is the sanction/action awarded to?	
Where is the sanction/action taken?	

10. Blue WA has possession of the ball in the centre third. Whilst moving into a position to receive the pass, Blue C is being marked by Red WD who has their arms outstretched to prevent Blue C from getting into position. The Red WD is within 0.9 m (3 ft) of the Blue C.

What is the Infringement?	
What sanction/action would you award?	
Who is the sanction/action awarded to?	
Where is the sanction/action taken?	

11. Red WA is taking a Throw In on the side line. As they attempt to make their pass, they place their foot on the side line.

What is the Infringement?	
What sanction/action would you award?	
Who is the sanction/action awarded to?	
Where is the sanction/action taken?	

12. Red C catches the ball in their defending goal third. They make a pass to Red GA, who jumps from Red Team attacking goal third, catches the ball in the air and lands in the centre third.

What is the Infringement?	
What sanction/action would you award?	
Who is the sanction/action awarded to?	
Where is the sanction/action taken?	



## SECTION 2 QUESTIONS

**This section contains 8 questions**

Based on the situations given:-

- Identify the Rule/s infringed, using the relevant Rule Name and the relevant Rule Heading (e.g. Out of court and Ball out of court, Obstruction and Player in possession of the ball). Rule numbers are not required.
- Possible Decision/s ie Penalise Contact, Obstruction, Play Advantage, Hold Time, Send the player from the court, Penalise Footwork etc.
- Your Application/Reasoning ie the steps you would take to deal with the scenario
- For Game Management scenarios, assume it is the first time a Game Management issue has occurred, unless otherwise stated in the question.

**Example:**

At a goal line throw in, Red GK attempts to pass to Red C, who is unmarked outside the goal circle. At the same time, Blue GS contacts the arm of Red GK. Red C catches the ball.

Rule/s	Contact and Interference Rule 17.1 <span style="float: right;">(1 Mark)</span>
Possible Decision/s	Penalise Contact or Play Advantage <span style="float: right;">(2 Marks)</span>
Application/ Reasoning	<p>The Contact rule has been infringed as Blue GS contacted Red GK. (1 Mark)</p> <p>The umpire could blow the whistle using the relevant hand signal to penalise Contact. (1 Mark)</p> <p>A penalty pass is awarded to a Red team player allowed in the area. (1 Mark)</p> <p>The penalty pass is taken where Blue GS was standing when they contacted Red GK, unless this places the non-infringing team at a disadvantage, in which case the penalty is taken where the Red GK was standing (1 Mark)</p> <p>Or</p> <p>The umpire may consider playing advantage as the Red team have possession of the ball. The umpire would need to assess the position of all players (particularly Red C) and decide whether the advantage may be possible. (Must consider where other players are for the mark). (1 Mark)</p> <p>The umpire would indicate advantage by calling 'Advantage Contact GS' and signal using the relevant hand signal.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(6 Marks)</p>

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- 1 Blue GD is taking a free pass from within their defending goal third. They pass the ball to Blue C who is standing in the centre but misses the ball. The ball rolls across the centre third and into the Blue team attacking goal third. The ball is picked up by Blue GS close to the transverse line.

Rule/s	(1 Mark)
Possible Decision/s	(1 Mark)
Application/ Reasoning	(4 Marks)

- 2 Red C has possession of the ball outside of the goal circle. Blue GD is standing in front of Red GS marking closely. Blue GD keeps their arms outstretched to prevent Red GS moving to receive the pass from Red C.

Rule/s	(1 Mark)
Possible Decision/s	(1 Mark)
Application/ Reasoning	(4 Marks)

- 3 Blue WA is taking a penalty pass and is standing just outside their attacking goal circle. Blue WA passes the ball to Blue GA who is standing just inside the goal circle but at the point of exchange there is insufficient space for an opposing player to be able to deflect or intercept the ball.

Rule/s	(1 Mark)
Possible Decision/s	(1 Mark)
Application/ Reasoning	(4 Marks)

- 4 Red C takes possession of the ball in the centre third. Blue C quickly takes up a defending position more than 3 feet away from Red C. In an attempt to pass the ball to their GA, Red C rolls the ball past Blue C and it is picked up by Red GA.

Rule/s	(1 Mark)
Possible Decision/s	(1 Mark)
Application/ Reasoning	(4 Marks)

- 5 At a goal line throw in, Blue GK attempts to pass the ball to Blue C who is unmarked outside the goal circle. At the same time, Red GS contacts the arm of Blue GK. Blue C catches the ball.

Rule/s	(1 Mark)
Possible Decision/s	(2 Marks)
Application/ Reasoning	(6 Marks)

- 6 Following the half time interval, the Red Team have not returned from the changing rooms. The Blue Team take to court and get into position. The next centre pass is going to be taken by the Blue Team. The umpire waits for 30 seconds for the Red team to arrive and they enter the sports hall and get into position within this 30 seconds ready for the start of play.

Rule/s	(1 Mark)
Possible Decision/s	(1 Mark)
Application/ Reasoning	(7 Marks)

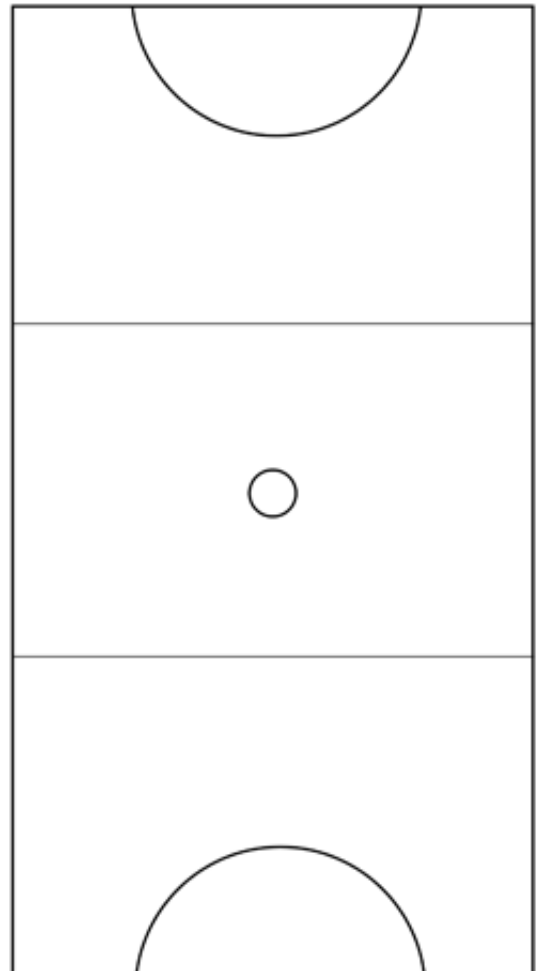
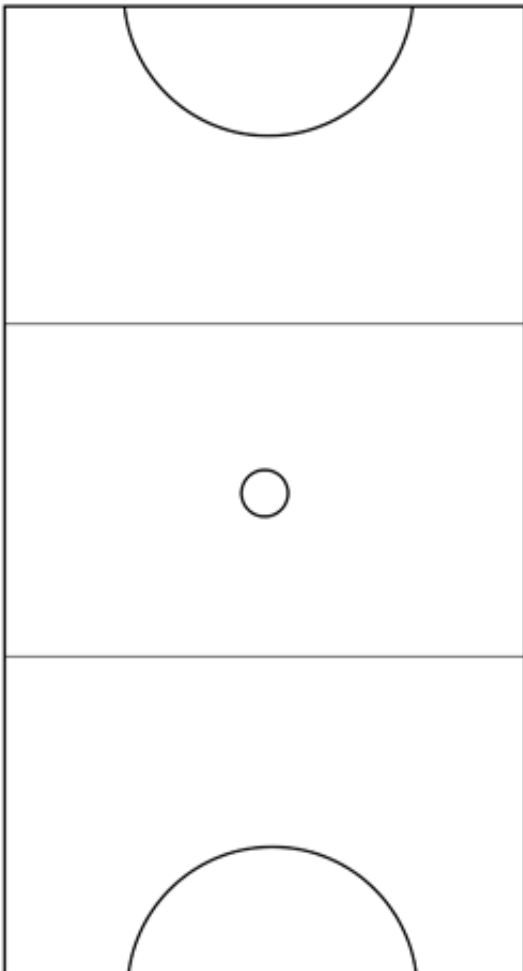
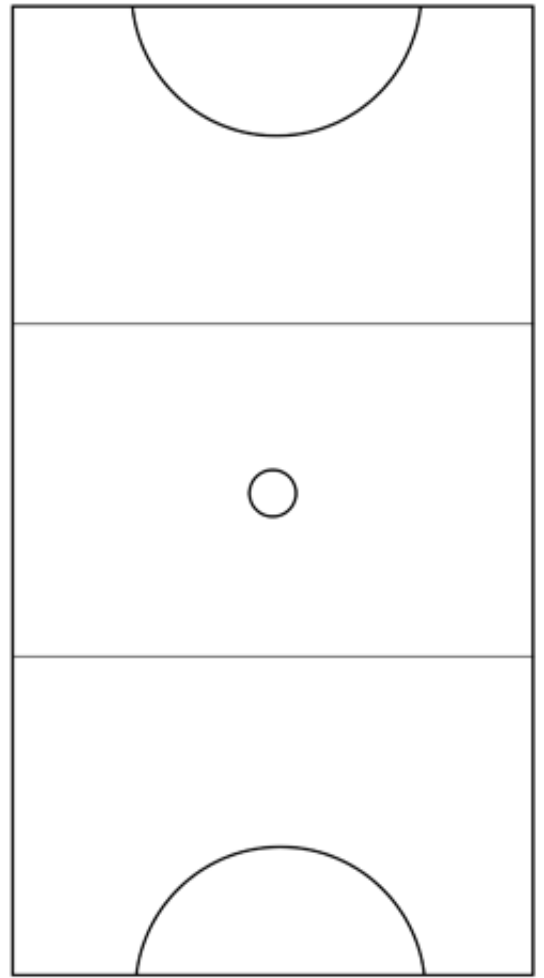
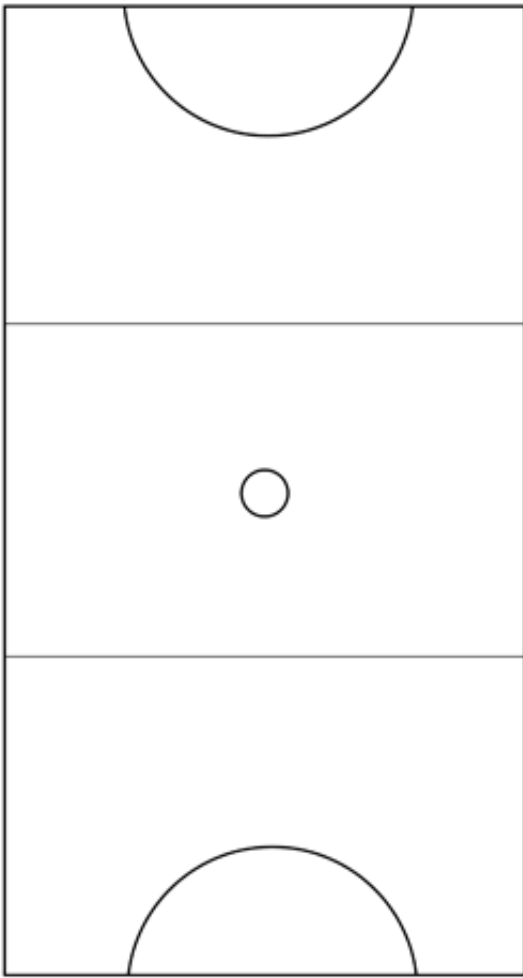
- 7 Red GK is taking a goal line throw in. They pass the ball to Red GD who catches the ball in the air but lands awkwardly in the goal third. Red GK calls for injury time to the Red GD.

Rule/s	(1 Mark)
Possible Decision/s	(1 Mark)
Application/ Reasoning	(8 Marks)



- 8 Near the end of a quarter, the Red WA is in the goal third trying to make a pass to the circle players. The Blue WD intentionally stands within 0.9m (3ft) of the Red WA in an attempt to slow down the play into the goal circle.

Rule/s	(1 Mark)
Possible Decision/s	(1 Mark)
Application/ Reasoning	(6 Marks)



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