

# Junior Umpire Award

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The Junior Umpire Award is open to all young people. It is designed to improve knowledge and test practical skills in the umpiring of table tennis.

The award may be used as part of the General Certificate of Secondary Education (GCSE) Table Tennis, Sport Leaders UK awards (formerly CSLA), Duke of Edinburgh Awards, Young Officials Award and TT Networker – Table Tennis Youth Leadership Award.

There is no minimum age restriction and playing experience is not required.

Umpiring can be a most rewarding and enjoyable experience and England has some of the most highly respected umpires in the world. Opportunities to use umpiring skills are available in clubs, leagues and in many competitions across England. The ambitious can umpire abroad at international matches, world championships and even at the Olympic Games.

## Assessment

The award may be assessed by any teacher, sports leader, TT Networker, coach or adult who has an understanding of the laws of table tennis. Candidates should be given a copy of the ITTF Laws of Table Tennis to help them identify the answers. A copy of the ITTF Handbook, including the Laws and Regulations, is available to download from the [ITTF website](#).

Assessors can obtain a free JUA Information Pack, which includes the answers to the test paper, from Table Tennis England or their Regional Development Officer.

The assessment is in two parts:

### Written or oral

Candidates must achieve 16 out of a maximum 22 marks.

### Practical

In the opinion of the assessor candidates must satisfactorily demonstrate umpire skills detailed in the practical test.

### Certificates and further information

Successful candidates will receive:

- An official Table Tennis England certificate recognising the award.
- Ideas and contacts on how to progress in umpiring.

Certificates can be obtained by completing the awards order form and sending the correct remittance to Table Tennis England.

### Assessors Resources (available free from Table Tennis England)

- Junior Umpire Award test paper and answer sheet.
- ITTF Laws of Table Tennis (also available to download from the ITTF website).

To download a copy of the Junior Umpire Award test paper [click here](#).

When your students have successfully completed the test paper and practical, please enter their details and order their certificates [here](#).

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