



# Free online officiating course

The Introductory Officiating General Principles course has been developed to assist new officials improve their basic officiating skills.

A major benefit of the online course is that officials can complete it in their own time. Thanks to a subsidy from the Australian Sports Commission, the online course is initially available free of charge to Australian officials.

## About the course

The course contains three training modules that cover a range of general officiating topics, including:

- > ethical responsibilities of officials
- > preparation for officiating
- > safety
- > communication
- > dealing with conflict
- > people management.

The course takes approximately four hours to complete, and there is assessment included at the end of each module.

## Becoming an accredited official

The Introductory Officiating General Principles course can provide the first step towards accreditation. Your national or state sporting organisation can provide more information on the sport-specific requirements to achieve accreditation as an official.

## How to access the course

The Introductory Officiating General Principles course is available from the Australian Sports Commission's online learning portal at [learning.ausport.gov.au](http://learning.ausport.gov.au)