

# Netball NSW and The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award Information for Award Participants

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Netball NSW is proud to partner and support The [Duke of Edinburgh's International Award](#) ('the Award') as a Registered Activity Provider (RAP).

As a Registered Activity Provider Netball NSW now have the capacity to assist Award Participants in completing the Skills, Service or Physical Recreation Sections of their Bronze/Silver/Gold Award, through their respective Netball Association or Club.

## Completing any Section of your Award through Netball gives you the opportunity to:

- Make new friends
- Challenge yourself physically and mentally
- Develop the ability to work as part of a team
- Connect with your local netballing community

## Skills Section

The Skills Section of the Award encourages the development of personal interests, practical and social skills. The Skills Section provides the opportunity for a Participant to either improve on an existing skill, or to try something new.

Award Participants can complete the Skills Section of the Award by getting involved with officiating at the local Association or Club.

## How to get involved in officiating or coaching:

- If already playing netball at the local club, simply inquire whether there are any opportunities to umpire or officiate at the local Association or club.
- Award Participants who are not already playing netball can find the details of a local Association or club at <http://my.netball.com.au/> to see whether there are any opportunities available to umpire.
- Here is an example phone/email script which can be used when contacting local netball Associations or clubs:

*"Hi,*

*My name is [Name] and I am currently completing my [award level] Duke of Edinburgh's International Award. I am looking to complete part of my Award with Netball NSW and am inquiring as to whether there are any opportunities to officiate Netball to fulfil my Skill Section requirements with your Association/club? Are there any such opportunities with your Association/club?"*

## Service Section

The Service Section of the Award encourages young people to volunteer their time to and understand the benefits of this service to their community.

Many local netball Associations and Clubs are able to provide opportunities for Award Participants to meet the requirements of the Service Section of the Award, through volunteering time to assist on various programs or general assistance during the netball season.

Participants can volunteer with their Association or Club in a wide range of areas. Some of these include:

- Coaching a junior team
- Assisting at the courts during games
- Administration assistance

### How to volunteer at your local Association or Club:

- If already playing netball at the local club, simply inquire whether there are any opportunities to volunteer with the club or Association.
- Award Participants who are not already playing netball can find the details of a local Association or club at <http://my.netball.com.au/> to see whether there are any opportunities available to volunteer.
- Here is an example phone/email script which can be used when contacting local netball Associations or clubs:

*"Hi,*

*My name is [Name] and I am currently completing my [award level] Duke of Edinburgh's International Award. I am looking to complete part of my Award through volunteering with Netball NSW and am inquiring as to whether there are any opportunities to volunteer with your Association/club? I am interested in volunteering in general tasks or through coaching a junior team. Are there any such opportunities to volunteer with your Association/club?"*

## Physical Recreation Section

Participants of the Award are able to complete their Physical Recreation Section by playing netball with their local netball Association or club.

### How to get involved in playing netball:

- Award Participants can find their local club at <http://my.netball.com.au/>
- Once registered and playing, your netball coach will act as your Assessor

## Netball NSW Support

As a Registered Activity Provider, Netball NSW is happy to support Award Participants wanting to complete the Physical Recreation, Skill, and/or Service Section of their Bronze/Silver/Gold Award through the local netball community. Netball NSW want to ensure that all Award Participants can achieve their desired outcomes through positive experiences within netball.

Any participants that are looking to complete part of their Award through netball should contact **Netball NSW Association & Membership Coordinator, Todd Pengilly**.

Please contact Netball NSW in the instances that;

- **You have secured a local Association or club to assist you with any Section(s) of your Award:** Please provide the name of the Association or club, and for what Section of the Award you will be completing.
- **You are unable to find an Association or club who can assist you with any Section(s) of your Award:** Please let us know which Section of the Award you would like to work towards, as well as your age, contact details, school and address so that we can assist you in finding a local Association or club equipped to assist.

Below is an example email to send to us in either of the circumstances:

*Dear Todd,*

*My name is [Name]. I am a currently looking to complete my Duke of Edinburgh's International Award through netball with [enter Netball NSW Association/club Name] in order to complete the [Section] of my [Award level] Award.*

*OR*

*My name is [Name]. I am a currently looking to complete my Duke of Edinburgh's International Award through netball and I am struggling to find an Association or Club who can assist me. Could you please assist me?*

*My details are:*

- *[Name]*
- *[Age]*
- *[Email address]*
- *[Home Suburb and postcode]*
- *[Name of school]*

### **Contact Details**

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