

Umpire Grading

All County gradings must be factual and based on where an umpire has officiated successfully in a minimum of six matches during 2012.

- Where the grading includes a “+” the umpire must have actually officiated successfully in the higher grade e.g. for an official to be graded C3+2 an umpire must be standing currently in Tier 3 matches and have officiated successfully in an ECB Premier League or equivalent at some time in the past and must still be considered capable of doing so if required. It is expected that they will also be maintaining their education achievement at the appropriate level.

	C1+1	C1*	C1
MATCHES	Must have officiated in a minimum of six matches in a league designated by ECB as a Premier League or equivalent with successful outcomes.		
PERFORMANCE	Has officiated at a higher level (MCCA or county second XI) and achieved successful outcomes. Is still competent at that level but may not advance further.	Has immediate potential to officiate at a higher level (MCCA or county second XI) supported by recent evidence including match planners, self-assessment and ECB ACO independent assessment.	Ready for, or developing through, multi-day cricket e.g. ECB Under 17 level. Good competent umpire but not aspiring, or unlikely, to advance further at this time.
EDUCATION	Achieved Level 3 qualification	Achieved Level 2 qualification and working towards Level 3	Achieved Level 2 qualification
ADMIN	Efficient administration skills in dealing with e-mails, electronic appointments, telephone calls, correspondence and collating their portfolio of evidence, where required.		
DEVELOPMENT	Open-minded and professional approach to umpiring. Able and willing to learn from experience, peers, mentors and umpire coaches.		

	C2+2	C2+1	C2*	C2
MATCHES	Must have officiated in a minimum of six matches in a Tier 2 league with successful outcomes.			
PERFORMANCE	Has officiated at a level above C1 (e.g. MCCA or county second XI) and is still competent at that level although unlikely to advance further.	Has officiated at C1 level and is still competent at that level although unlikely to advance further.	Has immediate potential to officiate at a higher level (ECB Premier League or equivalent) This must be supported by recent evidence including match planners, self-assessment and ECB ACO or league independent assessment.	Is consolidating progress at C2. Good competent umpire but not aspiring, or unlikely to advance further at this time.
EDUCATION	Achieved Level 3 and is current at Level 2 or above	Achieved Level 2 educational qualification	Achieved Level 2 or working towards L2	Achieved Level 2 or working towards L2
ADMIN	Efficient administration skills, able to use, where appropriate, e-mails, electronic appointments, telephone calls and correspondence. If required will be able to produce a portfolio of evidence.			
DEVELOPMENT	Open-minded and professional approach to umpiring. Able and willing to learn from experience, peers, mentors and umpire coaches.			

	C3+3	C3+2	C3+1	C3*	C3
MATCHES	Must have stood in a minimum of six matches in a league designated by their County as a Tier 3 league with successful outcomes.				
PERFORMANCE	Has officiated at a level above C1 (eg MCCA or county second XI) and is still competent at that level. This must be supported by recent evidence.	Has officiated at C1 level and is still competent at that level.	Has officiated at C2 level and is still competent at that level. This must be supported by recent evidence	Has immediate potential to officiate at a higher level (C2) supported by recent evidence	Is consolidating progress at C3. Good competent umpire but no aspirations, or unlikely to advance further at this time.
EDUCATION	Achieved Level 3 and current at Level 2 or above	Achieved Level 2 qualification	Achieved Level 2 qualification.	Minimum Level 1A and working towards Level 2 qualification	Minimum Level 1 and working towards L1A qualification
ADMIN	Efficient administration skills, able to use, where appropriate, e-mails, electronic appointments, telephone calls and correspondence. If required will be able to produce a portfolio of evidence.				
DEVELOPMENT	Open-minded and professional approach to umpiring. Able and willing to learn from experience, peers, mentors and umpire coaches.				

	C4+3	C4+2	C4+1	C4*	C4
MATCHES	Must have stood in a minimum of six matches in a league designated the county in a Tier 4 league with successful outcomes				
PERFORMANCE	Has officiated at C1 level and is still competent at that level. This must be supported by recent evidence.	Has officiated at C2 level and is still competent at that level. This must be supported by recent evidence	Has officiated at C3 level and is still competent at that level This must be supported by recent evidence	Has immediate potential to officiate at a higher level (C3) supported by recent evidence	Is consolidating progress at C4. Good competent umpire but not aspiring, or unlikely to advance further at this time.
EDUCATION	Achieved Level 3 qualification. Current at Level 2	Achieved Level 2 qualification	Achieved Level 1A qualification.	Achieved Level 1	Minimum Level 1 qualification
ADMIN	Efficient administration skills, able to use e-mails, electronic appointments, telephone calls and correspondence. If required will be able to produce a portfolio of evidence.				
DEVELOPMENT	Open-minded and professional approach to umpiring. Able and willing to learn from experience, peers, mentors and umpire coaches.				

	C5+3	C5+2	C5+1	C5*	C5
MATCHES	Has stood in a minimum of six matches for a club or league designated by their county in a Tier 5 league with successful outcomes.				

PERFORMANCE	Has officiated at C2 level or above and is still competent at that level. This must be supported by recent evidence	Has officiated at C3 level or above and is still competent at that level. This must be supported by recent evidence	Has officiated at C4 level and is still competent at that level This must be supported by recent evidence	Has immediate potential to officiate at a higher level (C4) supported by recent evidence	Is consolidating progress at C5. Good competent umpire but not aspiring, or unlikely to advance further at this time.
EDUCATION	Level 1 educational qualification. Level 2 and Currency?	Level 1 educational qualification	Level 1 educational qualification.	Level 1 educational qualification.	Minimum Level 1 educational qualification
ADMIN	Efficient administration skills, able to use, if appropriate, e-mails, electronic appointments, telephone calls and correspondence. If required will be able to produce a portfolio of evidence.				
DEVELOPMENT	Open-minded and professional approach to umpiring. Able and willing to learn from experience, peers, mentors and umpire coaches.				

The C6 grade is provided for **inactive or newly trained umpires in their first season.**

Should a newly trained umpire demonstrate appropriate confidence and competence during their first season provided they have reached the required standard they may be re-graded to C6* or C5 following observation and feedback.