

GOAL UMPIRE BASICS

Preparation:

Schools will provide you with at least two flags that will be used by you to indicate a goal or a point.

Positioning:

Make sure that you always have the ball in front of your line of vision coming towards you. For example, if the ball is coming from your left as you look out you should move to your right to keep the ball in front of your line of vision.

You should try and stay 1metre to 1.5metres behind the line to avoid getting caught in the field of play.

For any ball dropping on the line you need to straddle the line side on to the ball and the players.

Decision Making:

When a goal is scored, two flags need to be waved. When a point is scored, only one flag is waved.

The decision point is when the whole of the ball crosses the line. If the ball hits the goal post or anything connected to it, a behind is recorded. If the ball hits the behind post it is out of bounds.