

## County Player Development Programme Guidance 2024-25

### Purpose of the programme: Learn, Love, Win

Supporting athletes to Learn the game, Love the journey, Win deep - for further details click [here](#)

County Netball Associations manage and deliver the Development Programme(s) on behalf of England Netball

### Outcome of the programme:

*The U13 Player Development Programme* is the first entrance into the player pathway and the focus is on individual development. The emphasis is on athletes learning how to train with decision making being a pivotal element, alongside developing resilience and skills required to play netball. Learning the game as well as loving the game with a sense of working together is essential to enhance their experiences at this early stage.

*In the U15 Player Development Programme*, the emphasis remains on understanding learning how to train and compete with competition being used to consolidate game understanding, refining skills, and see improvements in decision making.

	U13 Player Development Programme	U15 Player Development Programme
Duration and structure	October 2024 to April 2025 Minimum 40 hours of contact time and match play	October 2024 to May 2025 Minimum 60 hours of contact time and match play
No. of athletes	20 athletes per academy	20 athletes per academy
Age of athletes	Under-13 as of 23:59 on 31st August 2024	Under-15 as of 23:59 on 31st August 2024
Programme cost	£220 Instalment payment options available. Bursaries are available in cases of financial hardship.	£260
Duration of time in programme	6 months to 2 years	
Level of Coach	See website <a href="#">Kent Netball Academies</a>	
Relevant competition	U14 or U16 County and/or regional Leagues, tournament and inter-school competition.	U14/U16 County League/Tournament or U14/U16 Regional League, inter-school competition and U15 School Games National Finals 2024
Athlete Progression	County U15 Player Development Programme	NSL Team's U15 Academy, NSL Team's U17 Academy or other programmes.
	There is no automatic entry to the next stage of the player pathway.	
Athlete identification and selection	Initial screening event will take place in June 2024 in accordance with Kent Netball's screening policy. See the Trials page for more details	