



## PETANQUE ENGLAND SKILLS – BLUE AWARD REQUIREMENTS – Sponsored by Samueljacks Teamwear

To receive this award participants should attempt all the skill activities and achieve success and consistency. In order to pass this award candidates must obtain eight out of twelve in 8 of the first 10 tasks. On completing 8 out of 10 tasks, task 11 must be completed to the satisfaction of the examiner in order to pass this level. The Red Award must be held before the Blue Award can be taken.

The examiner for the Blue Award will be a qualified PE coach who has not been involved in coaching or mentoring the candidate and who should ideally come from another Club.

**The Red Plus Award** might be given when 4 of the following practical activities, from the Blue Award, 1-10, are completed successfully to the standard outlined above.

### Activities to be completed

1. Demonstrate to the examiner that a candidate can throw a jack to within a circle of 75cm in diameter. The centre of the circle to be 7m from the throwing circle.
2. Demonstrate to the examiner that a candidate can point a boule to within a circle of 50cm in diameter whereby the examiner is responsible for ensuring that the distance at which a boule is pointed is varied at least 3 times.
3. Demonstrate to the examiner that a candidate can lob using the correct throwing method over a rope/bar which is 3m above the ground landing the boule in a circle that is 1m in diameter, the front edge (that closest to the throwing circle) placed at **6m** from the throwing circle. The boule must remain inside the circle in order for the boule to score.
4. Demonstrate to the examiner that a candidate can lob using the correct throwing method over a rope/bar which is 3m above the ground landing the boule in a circle that is 1m in diameter the front edge placed at **9m** from the throwing circle. The boule must remain inside the circle in order for the boule to score.
5. Demonstrate to the examiner that a candidate can hit a boule without dropping short, using a soft looping shooting method to hit a boule that is placed 40cm behind another boule. The target boule placed at a distance of 8m from the throwing circle, the obstructing boule at 7.60m.
6. To hit the left boule where two boules are placed side by side, 10cm apart, at varying distances within the minimum and maximum distances defined in the Official Rules of Pétanque.
7. Demonstrate to the examiner that a candidate can promote a boule by landing in front of a boule and bring the target boule to within 20cm of the jack at the minimum distance, 6m.



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8. To be able to point a boule with the use of spin landing in a 50cm diameter circle which is to the side of three boules and then spin the boule from the left to the right to within 1m of the jack which is placed 2m directly behind the three boules in front of the jack. The three obstructing boules, should be not less than 5m nor more than 6m from the throwing circle.
9. To be able to point a boule with the use of spin landing in a 50cm diameter circle which is to the side of three boules and then spin the boule from the right to the left to within 1m of the jack which is placed 2m directly behind the three boules in front of the jack. The three obstructing boules, should be not less than 5m nor more than 6m from the throwing circle.
10. Demonstrate to the examiner that a candidate can point a boule that moves the jack placed at 6m back by at least 10cm.
11. To play as a double a complete game of pétanque adhering strictly to the Official Rules of Pétanque and showing to the examiner that they have worked tactically as a team.

### Knowledge

1. Candidates should be able to explain to the examiner what happens in the following circumstances:-
  - a) What can be removed from the terrain during an end.
  - b) What happens if a boule or jack is displaced by a boule or moving object from another game.
  - c) What happens if a boule or jack is moved in the course of measuring.
  - d) How far a jack needs to be displaced from the throwing circle in order for it to be declared dead. How close to the throwing circle can the jack be moved before it is declared dead.

**This award will take the candidate between 1 and 2 years to complete.**