

Umpire directors report – Joseph Newsome – 2021 AGM

I am pleased to have been able to continue in post as ESMBA Umpire Director. However this will be my last, as due to a change in my career and other circumstances, I have decided not to seek re-election.

I have been helped along the way by some outstanding figures within the ESMBA management committee and experienced umpires. I wish to thank them all for their continued support and assistance.

The recent year has been a strange one, due to this there has been a limited request for Umpire services.

However there have been the usual rule queries and numerous emails to answer. I have enjoyed reading these as I am interested in peoples differing reasoning, rationale and interpretations. I must again thank both area and regional managers for their continued assistance and scrutineering of these and additional queries.

Please may I take this opportunity to wish my successor all the very best and to state that I will remain available for support if they require it.

Joseph Newsome