



## **IO, C AWARD AND B AWARD UMPIRES - Officiating Pathway Criteria**

Please see below, the umpiring criteria adopted by Bedfordshire County, if you require further clarification, please contact the County Umpiring Secretary, Kay Smith, email: [kay.smith569@gmail.com](mailto:kay.smith569@gmail.com)

**IO Award** – If an IO passes their practical assessment and does not umpire at all for a season, then they must start the IO pathway from the beginning. Extenuating circumstances will be considered.

**C Award** – C award umpires that have not umpired within any of the Bedfordshire Leagues for 2 continuous years are not eligible to umpire in the Bedfordshire Leagues until they have, firstly undertaken a refresher course; and then they need to be re-assessed by a qualified assessor using the current C award criteria. Such assessment can be undertaken at any friendly match. Extenuating circumstances will be considered.

**B Award** - C award umpires wishing to progress to B award must umpire at least 6 high standard Premier matches and umpire in at least 2 county events. They then need to be observed by a B Assessor to ensure readiness for a B course. A course application must be endorsed by the County Umpiring Secretary.