





## REFEREE ASSESSMENT REPORT 2015/16








### Match Details

FIXTURE	 Liverpool	1-0	AFC Bournemouth 
COMPETITION	Barclays Premier League		
DATE (KICK OFF TIME)	17/08/15 (20:00)		
VENUE	Anfield, Liverpool		



### Appointed Officials

		MARK	BAND	
	REFEREE	PAWSON, Craig	8.3	GOOD
	ASSISTANT REFEREE 1	LENNARD, Harry	7.7	SATISFACTORY
	ASSISTANT REFEREE 2	GARRATT, Andrew	8.4	GOOD
	4 <sup>TH</sup> OFFICIAL	JONES, Michael	8.4	GOOD
	ASSESSOR			



## SECTION A – THE REFEREE

### 1 | IDENTIFICATION OF FOUL CHALLENGES

<b>ACCURACY</b> The referee's ability to accurately distinguish between fair and foul challenges.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	<b>X</b> GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
<b>CONSISTENCY</b> The referee's consistency in identification & penalising of foul challenges.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	<b>X</b> SATISFACTORY	GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
<b>OVERALL MARK</b> An overall mark out of 10 in accordance with the guidelines for this category.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	<b>8.0</b> GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
<b>COMMENTS</b> Brief comments by the assessor, applied to this category, with reference to specific incidents where appropriate.	Craig Pawson performed reasonably well in this department. He made a crucial decision after just 4 minutes to disallow a Bournemouth goal from a corner kick. There can be no doubt that the attacker did make contact with the defender as he rose to meet the header, perhaps using the defender to gain leverage or prevent him from challenging for the ball. Therefore the decision can be seen as acceptable and not a major error. However, Pawson should be cautious given that there will always be physicality in the penalty area, in particular the Premier League, and there were similar levels of contact at other set pieces during the match.					

## 2 | POSITIONING & MOVEMENT

<b>READING OF THE GAME</b> The referee's ability to see play developing & adjust positioning & movement accordingly.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	X GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
<b>POSITIONAL AWARENESS</b> The referee's awareness of his surroundings, including position of the players & the ball.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	X GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
<b>OVERALL MARK</b> An overall mark out of 10 in accordance with the guidelines for this category.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	8.4 GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
<b>COMMENTS</b> Brief comments by the assessor, applied to this category, with reference to specific incidents where appropriate.	Craig Pawson's all round positioning and movement was good. He was very occasionally caught off guard, including in the build up to Liverpool's goal where he did not anticipate a short corner resulting in him not facing the ball for a good few seconds.					

## 3 | MAN MANAGEMENT

<b>TECHNIQUES</b> The methods used by the referee to manage situations and cooperate with the players.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	X GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
<b>EFFECTIVENESS</b> The success of the methods used by the referee to manage players & situations.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	X GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
<b>OVERALL MARK</b> An overall mark out of 10 in accordance with the guidelines for this category.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	8.4 GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
<b>COMMENTS</b> Brief comments by the assessor, applied to this category, with reference to specific incidents where appropriate.	Pawson showed good man management skills, regularly talking to players where possible, in particular after awarding free kicks.					

## 4 | DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS

<b>ACCURACY</b> The accuracy of the referee's identification of cautionable and dismissable offenses.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	X GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
<b>CONSISTENCY</b> The referee's consistency in identifying cautionable and dismissable offenses.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	X GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
<b>OVERALL MARK</b> An overall mark out of 10 in accordance with the guidelines for this category.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	8.4 GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
<b>COMMENTS</b> Brief comments by the assessor, applied to this category, with reference to specific incidents where appropriate.	Craig Pawson issued 5 cautions in total, a number fully justified given the high level of fouls and physical play. All cautions were accurate and in accordance with the L.O.T.G.					

## 5 | FITNESS

<b>OVERALL MARK</b>	SATISFACTORY	8.4 GOOD	EXCELLENT			
<b>COMMENTS</b>	No problems with Pawson's fitness. Fully capable of keeping up with play and sprinting end-to-end.					

## 6 | OVERALL GAME MANAGEMENT & APPLICATION OF THE L.O.T.G

<b>GAME MANAGEMENT</b> The referee's overall management of the occasion and handling of the match.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	<b>X</b> GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
<b>APPLICATION OF THE L.O.T.G</b> The referee's knowledge and accurate implementation of the L.O.T.G throughout.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	<b>X</b> GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
<b>OVERALL MARK</b> An overall mark out of 10 in accordance with the guidelines for this category.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	<b>8.0</b> GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
<b>COMMENTS</b> Brief comments by the assessor, applied to this category, with reference to specific incidents where appropriate.	As the referee, Pawson could have better communicated with the assistant referee for the Liverpool goal, which should have been ruled out for offside. The referee was suitably placed to see that Coutinho was in a position that could be offside, and he had a clear view to see Coutinho make a movement towards the ball. Pawson could have used to communication kit to ask his assistant whether Coutinho was in an offside position when the cross came in, which could have helped the officials reach the correct decision.					

## 7 | OVERALL MARK

CATEGORY	MARK	BAND
1	8.0	GOOD
2	8.4	GOOD
3	8.4	GOOD
4	8.4	GOOD
5	8.4	GOOD
6	8.0	GOOD
<b>OVERALL</b> Add the above marks together and divide by 6. Round up or down to the first decimal place. In instances where the referee has made 1 or more major errors, this mark is limited to 7.9.	<b>8.3</b>	<b>GOOD</b>



## SECTION B – THE ASSISTANT REFEREES

### 1 | OFFSIDE ACCURACY

<b>ASSISTANT REFEREE 1</b>	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	<b>X</b> GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
<b>ASSISTANT REFEREE 2</b>	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	<b>X</b> GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
<b>COMMENTS</b>	Assistant referee 1 made a key match error by failing to flag for a clear offside offense as Liverpool scored. Coutinho made a clear attempt to play the ball, impacting on the goalkeeper. Despite not touching the ball, under the new interpretation, this is a clear infringement and should have been given as offside.					

## 2 | TEAMWORK & COMMUNICATION

ASSISTANT REFEREE 1	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	<b>X</b> SATISFACTORY	GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
ASSISTANT REFEREE 2	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	<b>X</b> GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
COMMENTS	There was an evident lack of communication between referee and assistant referee 1 for the Liverpool goal. More effective communication should have seen the goal ruled out for offside.					

## 3 | OVERALL MARKS

ASSISTANT REFEREE 1	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	<b>7.7</b> SATISFACTORY	GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
ASSISTANT REFEREE 2	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	<b>8.4</b> GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
COMMENTS	Assistant referee 1's mark is 7.7 due to major error. Assistant referee 2 performed well.					



## SECTION C – THE 4<sup>TH</sup> OFFICIAL

### 1 | CONTRIBUTION TO THE TEAM

OVERALL MARK	POOR	SATISFACTORY	<b>8.4</b> GOOD	
COMMENTS	Mike Jones was a good team member who performed the duties of 4 <sup>th</sup> official well.			