



UMPIRING POLICY

Positions

UMPIRES' CONVENOR	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Arrange umpire allocation to all games 2. Coordinate training of all umpires, and recommend suitable candidates for progression 3. Research and institute methods of encouraging and improving umpiring within the Club 4. Be responsible for the allocation of umpire coaches / mentors to beginner or other umpires as necessary 5. Liaise with SSNA Umpires Convenor and Committee (and attend SSNA umpire meetings on behalf of Club) 6. Keep a record of all umpires within the club and the game level they are capable of umpiring 7. To review and update Umpire Policy which is to include rostering protocol and pay details for that season before the commencement of the season, for approval by the Executive Committee 7. Report games and payments to Treasurer for preparation of umpire payments 8. Distribute umpire payments twice per season
ASSISTANT UMPIRES' CONVENOR	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Duties as directed by Umpires' Convenor

Pay Rates – Note: when requested, Joeys will loan umpires to other clubs in accordance with the below rates.

Junior Games

\$12 – Junior umpires (Certificate I) – including beginners

\$16 – Senior umpires (as identified by UC)

\$22 – C Badged Umpire

\$26 – B Badged Umpire

\$32 – A Badged and AA badged Umpire

Afternoon Games (to be paid directly by the teams before the start of the game)

\$25 (non-badged umpires)

\$30 (all badged umpires)

All of the above are paid if the opening whistle of the game is blown.

Mentoring

All mentors: \$12 per game

Note: Only mentors without a dependant in the club will attract payment

To attract payment, mentors must be recognised by the Umpire Convenors' as having the requisite experience AND must take an active role in providing feedback and guidance to mentee umpires for the duration of the game in question (including providing written feedback for mentees, as directed by the Umpire Convenors).

Summer Comp - These are recommendations only, as the agreement is between the umpire and the team. The Joey's UC will help teams find an umpire if they request it.

\$15 – Summer Comp Junior Games

\$25 – Summer Comp Senior Games

\$30 if badged – Summer Comp Senior Games

(all summer comp teams need to be advised upon registration that they are to secure their own umpires (usually for the season) and pay them before the start of each game) – payment is for all games regardless of wet weather. All of the above are paid if the opening whistle of the game is blown.

Other

Grading for Joeys: \$16-20 per hour (with a predetermined time commitment)

SSNA Duties as requested by SSNA: \$20 per hour (with a predetermined time commitment)

Carnivals: \$15 per player for a carnival day
(with a maximum amount of \$135 per team)

Rostering

All umpiring is scheduled based on the following:

- Avoiding the playing game time of the umpire;
- Avoiding any other conflicting game times for the umpire (i.e. if an umpire also coaches);
- The availability of an appropriate game that suits the skill level of the umpire. This might mean a highly controlled game by a skilled umpire; or allowing a less experienced umpire to step up a level.
- The availability of a mentor – *both new and experienced umpires receive mentoring*
- Discretionary considerations deemed relevant by the Umpires Convenors such as a boisterous sideline or a particular rough opponent requiring more experienced umpires.

Because of the difficulties in rostering games, umpires will not get a game every week or even every second week, and they will not necessarily get a game next to their game slot. It could be a two-game gap between depending upon the above criteria.

Please ensure that the Umpire Coordinator and Assistant Coordinator are advised in writing by 5.00pm on Sunday before the weekend if you are not available. Scheduling is a big picture procedure and if we are not pre-advised, we expect you will do your allocated slot unless something unforeseen happens.

Umpire Requests

Joeys **will NOT** take requests for a particular umpire to be allocated to a game.

Should a team require special consideration for a game, due to either a particularly rough opposition, or a particularly vocal sideline, that team's manager is asked to raise the issue in writing by emailing the Joeys Umpire's Convenor and the Assistant Umpire Convenor and CC-ing the Joeys Secretary by 5:00pm on the Sunday prior to the game.

The contact details for office holders are:

Vacant (Umpires Convenor): joeysnetballumpires@gmail.com

Sarah Heptinstall (Assistant Umpires Convenor): joeysnetballumpires@gmail.com

The Umpires Convenor and the Assistant Umpires Convenor will consider the concerns raised and will allocate a suitable umpire (available in the relevant timeslot) who they believe will be able to address the concerns raised.

18s and Seniors

Following registration, 18s and Seniors will be given the option to have an umpire allocated or to recruit their own umpire. Teams need to advise the Umpires Convenors of their decision at least 3 weeks before the season commences.

Team Behaviour

All teams and their sidelines will be reminded by the Executive at the commencement of the season to ensure that:

- The manager clears the sideline for the umpire including player and spectator gear and persons. This should be both from our team or the oppositions gear as it is an umpire safety issue.
- Teams are coached to respect both umpire's decisions; and that the Joeys' spectators are advised to adhere to the same protocol.
- Should a manager or coach have a particular issue they should make a request to the executive for sideline assistance.

Umpire Clothing Options – Winter, Juniors and Seniors

All umpires for Joeys netball club in the winter competition **MUST** only wear clothing on this list whilst umpiring:

- Joeys Uniform
- Joeys jacket, Joeys rugby jacket, Joeys white hoodie, plain white jacket or SSNA jacket (no other hoodies or jackets)
- Plain navy, black or maroon microfiber track pants (**no tights, no leggings**)
- Males may wear white shorts or track pants.
- The only option for SHOES are netball sports shoes.
- For those in SSNA Dev squad, you need a White Skirt, White Shirt and preferably a white jacket.
- SSNA requests that under whites, pale coloured underwear is worn
- SSNA branded umpire gear is available for purchase after you receive a badge.