

Redbacks Umpiring nominations, selection and requirements 2014

Umpire requirements

Each year at the registration day, a nomination form will be provided for all participants who are interested in learning how to umpire netball.

The nomination forms will be provided to the Umpire Convenor and a list of prioritised umpires will be selected.

The selection is made by identifying the:

- Level of knowledge of the rules
- Experience in playing the game of netball
- Age
- Previous experience in umpiring
- Umpire from previous year

The umpires who fit the criteria above will receive communicated from the Umpire Convenor about their umpiring requirements including the requirements to umpire at the tryout days for selections of teams.

****This is a requirement of beginner umpiring as it allows you to be assessed for your level of competency and understanding of the rules.**

Umpire pay rates and pass requirements:

Beginner umpire 1-2nd year no payment will be provided until a silver badge assessment is passed.

Silver badged umpires

Will be paid \$10.00 per game after you have sat the on line exam with a pass of 70% or more in the Section I Theory Examination

And have successfully been assessed by a National badged umpire and passing the assessment

Gold badged umpires

Will be paid \$15.00 after you have sat the on line exam with a pass of 70% or more in the Section I Theory Examination

And have been successfully assessed by a National badged umpire and passing the assessment.

National badged umpires – payment TBA

PLEASE NOTE:

All umpires are assessed on regular basis. Any umpire be found not to be umpiring within the guidelines, this will be addressed, and may not be paid for the game if they have found not to be adequately umpiring.

As an umpire your responsibilities include:

- Supplying a metal whistle
- Wearing a white shirt
- Wearing a white skirt or shorts

Timeframe for attending the Courts:

It is an umpire's responsibility to attend the courts on time, and to take personal responsibility for this.

- It is a requirement as a Redbacks Umpire, you attend the courts 15 minutes prior to the game commencing

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You will be required to attend the umpire's window to

- mark off you allocated game and
- Sign the Redbacks attendance sheet prior to going to the court.
- If this is not completed, payment of games may not occur.

Match Responsibilities

- Before the start of play check that the court, its surrounds, goalposts and the ball conform to the Rules and;
- Off the Court - inspect players for uniforms, jewellery, adornments and the correct length of fingernails and that they are short and smooth.

Voice

- Firm and decisive, generally heard easily.
- Manner
- Confident and pleasant.
- Whistle
- Crisp and clear.

Dress

- Umpires shall wear clothes distinct from those of the players and preferably white or cream in Colour.
- A skirt or shorts
- A Redbacks shirt may be provided, but it is your responsibility to order **
- Suitable shoes shall be worn.

Fitness

- Has good coverage of the court for the entire game.

Positioning

- Level with or just a little ahead of play and following around behind the goal circle although not always in the best possible position.
- Show knowledge of re-positioning to ensure a clear view of play.
- No umpire shall be on court except to take a Toss Up.

Control

- A candidate being tested at this level must be able to demonstrate that they are in control of the game before they can umpire effectively. Therefore, the basic umpiring techniques of good
- Positioning; clear, crisp whistle blowing; firm, confident manner and audible calls need to be displayed.
- As umpires progress in standard at this level, these umpiring techniques will be supported by sound basic decisions which compliment the standard of the game.

Terminology

- Should be using correct terminology. (stepping, Contact, Penalty Pass, Free pass)

Decisions

- Consistency is important at any level.
- Recognise stepping in all its forms.
- Display a range of knowledge of the other minor rules such as 'Held Ball', 'Offside', 'Over a Third' etc.
- Conduct a Toss Up, if applicable, in accordance with the Rule Book.
- Penalise all obvious Obstruction.
- Penalise all obvious Contact, certainly the clear examples of those listed in the Rule Book.
- Demonstrate an awareness of the Advantage Rule and its application and apply this on all occasions where Advantage Goal is scored.

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- Call each Centre Pass. Error or doubt can be forgiven, provided the umpire checks with the scorer and appropriate instructions are given to scorers and timekeepers.
- Call and indicate when the Throw In is to be taken and show awareness of possible infringements on court and at the Throw In.
- Demonstrate good knowledge of general rules together with reasonable consistency of their interpretation.
- Show understanding of hand signals.

When an umpire has shown the level of understanding of the silver assessment, they will be referred for badging.

When a Silver badged umpire has shown the level of understanding of the Gold badge, they will be referred to for badging.