

2019

Umpire Forum



What is the role of an Umpire?

- The role of the Umpire is to apply the laws of the game and ensure the game is played in a safe and fair manner.
- Umpiring presents exciting challenges and can be incredibly rewarding. Accepting the demands of umpiring and performing successfully provides umpires with a great feeling of satisfaction.

What the game expects of Umpires?

- The game expects its umpires to:
- Place the safety and welfare of the participants above all else
- Accept responsibility for all actions taken
- Be courteous and respectful and open to discussions and interaction
- Seek continual self-improvement
- Be a positive role model in terms of behavior and personal appearance



Types of Umpires and Their Roles

- **Field**
 - Apply the laws and their interpretations according to the spirit of the law
 - Attend to the administrative requirements necessary for the successful staging of the game
- **Boundary**
 - Be the sole judge of when the ball is out of bounds
 - Apply the laws relating to boundary umpiring in accordance with the spirit of the laws
- **Goal**
 - Be the final judge of the score
 - Keep record of all the goals and behinds scored in a match

Field Umpire – Key Skills/Attributes

While knowledge of the rules and interpretations is essential, the ability to make correct decisions is more difficult unless the right position is achieved from where the view each incident

- Strong Whistle
- Loud Voice
- Positioning – Side on, 20-25m from general play, trigger to side on
- Anticipation – being able to think ahead and accurately read the play
- "Pay – Show – Go"
- Remain calm and respect players/coaches/officials



Decision Making

Field Umpire

- Holding the ball
- High tackle
- Illegal shepherd/block
- Holding the man
- Kicking in Danger
- Trip
- Push in the back
- Run too far
- Advantage
- Abuse
- Field Bounce/Throw Up
- All Clear Goal
- All Clear Behind
- End of Game
- Deliberate out of Bounds

Boundary Umpire

- Out of Bounds
- Out of bounds on the full
- Free kick mark (out of bounds on the full)
- Ball hit the point post on the full

Goal Umpire

- Goal
- Behind
- Touched
- Hit the post

Training

Port Macquaire

- Wayne Richards Oval – Tuesday Nights
 - Time to be confirmed and start date
 - Fortnightly session

Coffs Harbour

- Fitzroy Oval – Thursday Nights
 - 6-7pm
 - Weekly session

Weekly Updates

Email will be sent every Friday to all umpires including:

- Up coming training dates
- Coaching/Key Focus
- Additional Umpire Opportunities
e.g representative games

Monthly Online Training Session

- 1st Monday of every Month. Link to be sent out 24hrs prior.