

Umpire training days



- Opportunity for new Umpires to learn ‘on the job’
- **North Coast:**
 - Sunday 23 April at Richardson Park, Sawtell (pre-season gala day)
- **North West:**
 - Sunday 7 May at No. 1 Oval, Tamworth (first Junior gala day)

Women and Girls Umpire incentive



- Financial incentive and reward to Clubs who drive Women and Girls Umpire recruitment
- Clubs that achieve a 1:1 ratio of female Umpires to Youth Girls Teams will receive a cashback grant at the end of the year
- Umpires must officiate a minimum of two (2) matches across the season
- Cashback grant of \$500

Age Dispensation Policy



- Application to play down an age group can be made on basis of physical size:
 - Where player is in bottom 5th percentile by BMI for age; OR
 - Where player is in bottom 5th percentile by height for age
- Second factor is new in 2023

Tribunal



- Scope to receive a suspended sentence has been removed
- Means that outcome is either not guilty (no sanction), or guilty and weeks off
- Change in 2023