



UMPIRES POLICY

A) INTENT OF THE POLICY

The policy is to ensure that Gunnedah Netball Association Inc. (hereafter referred to as GNA) provides all games with suitably qualified umpires and all members playing and non-playing have access to all material required to attain a level of umpiring that is suitable.

B) PROCEDURE

1. Teams will be required to supply GNA names of all members interested in mentoring

- i. Playing and non-playing members that show an interest will receive full support from the GNA committee and encouraged to attend any clinics or attain necessary accreditation.

2. The Umpires Convenor will provide information night/day at least once during the course of the winter season

C) TEAM REQUIREMENTS

1. All teams in the 16 & under and Opens Divisions will be required to supply names for all umpiring allocations on the scoresheet a week prior to their games.

2. Teams are responsible to find a replacement umpire should the original umpire become unavailable.

3. Teams may use umpires from outside their own, all umpires should be registered members of NetballNSW as either a player or non-player.

D) UMPIRE REQUIREMENTS

1. All umpires are to provide their own whistles

2. All umpires are to wear appropriate footwear, heels, thongs and sandals are unacceptable.

3. Umpires should wear their team uniform, umpire whites or clothing distinct from teams (GNA may supply hi-viz vests when required). Jeans, crop tops etc are unacceptable.

4. Umpires must report to the building at least five minutes prior to the commencement time and sign on.

E) PENALTIES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE

1. Nominated players who fail to attend an umpiring duty will be suspended from play at their team's next game. The player must sign on with the Umpires Convenor and remain at the game until at least half time. The player cannot return to play until the full suspension has been fulfilled.

2. Where only a team name is listed the Executive Committee may impose a monetary penalty.

3. Where a team has failed to provide an umpire on 3 consecutive occasions a fine and/or loss of points may be imposed.

F) BADGING

1. Any member playing or non-playing interested in gaining a nationally accredited badge must advise the GNA Umpires Convenor at the commencement or during the season.

2. The GNA Umpires Convenor will encourage and arrange any mentoring required for any member.



3. Testing will only be done when the Umpires Convenor has indicated that any member is ready and capable to be put forward.

4. GNA will provide a testing panel where possible, when one cannot be provided GNA will seek assistance from other Associations.

G) COMMITMENT OF GNA BADGED UMPIRES

1. Any registered member of Gunnedah Netball Association that has attained national accreditation would be encouraged to attend any Representative Carnivals and local carnivals as a GNA umpire. Any costs involved whilst umpiring for GNA may be covered by the Association.

2. Should a GNA registered badged umpire be unavailable for Gunnedah they should not make themselves available for any other association.

3. Should GNA not require the services of any GNA registered Badged umpires they may then make themselves available for other Associations. Any costs that may occur whilst umpiring for other Associations will be at the umpires own expense.