



WEST PYMBLE NETBALL  
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# UMPIRING MANUAL



*GETTING STARTED*

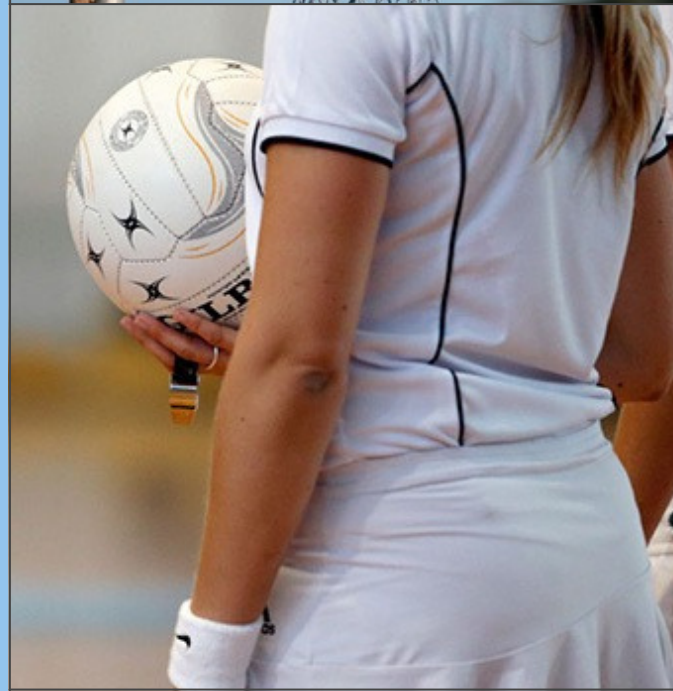
# WHY UMPIRE?

"NETBALL UMPIRING ISN'T REALLY ABOUT ENFORCING RULES. IT'S AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE AUSTRALIAN NETBALL COMMUNITY. UMPIRES HELP KEEP THE GAME SAFE, FAIR AND FUN FOR EVERYONE. NOT TO MENTION DEVELOPING PERSONAL SKILLS LIKE COMMUNICATION, RESILIENCE AND LEADERSHIP."

- NETBALL AUSTRALIA

UMPIRING IS A GREAT WAY TO STAY ACTIVE, EARN SOME EXTRA POCKET MONEY, LEARN MORE ABOUT THE GAME OF NETBALL, AND DEVELOP NEW SKILLS.

IT IS ALSO LOTS OF FUN!



## THE BASICS

# HOW DOES IT WORK?

## WHERE

ALL UMPIRING GAMES DURING THE WINTER COMPETITION TAKE PLACE AT CANOON RD NETBALL COURTS IN SOUTH TURRAMURRA

## WHEN

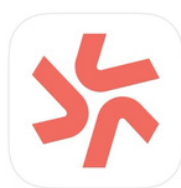
DURING THE WINTER COMPETITION, 9 YEAR OLD TEAMS PLAY ON THURSDAY NIGHTS, AND ALL OTHER AGE GROUPS PLAY ON SATURDAYS.

## ROSTERING

WEST PYMBLE USES A ROSTERING APP CALLED DEPUTY FOR ALL GAME ALLOCATIONS AND COMMUNICATION. THIS CAN BE DOWNLOADED ON YOUR MOBILE PHONE OR TABLET, OR ACCESSED VIA WEB BROWSER ON YOUR COMPUTER.

A ROSTER IS REGULARLY SENT OUT THROUGH DEPUTY AND UMPIRES ARE REQUIRED TO CHECK THE APP FREQUENTLY TO KEEP ON TOP OF THEIR ALLOCATED GAMES AND MESSAGE UPDATES.

NEW UMPIRES ARE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE AN EMAIL ADDRESS TO BE LINKED TO THEIR ACCOUNT. THEY WILL THEN RECEIVE AN EMAIL INVITATION TO FINISH SETTING UP THEIR ACCOUNT WITHIN THE WEST PYMBLE NETWORK.



**Deputy: Roster & Shift Planner**

Shift Work Calendar in Minutes

OPEN



# SKILL PROGRESSION AND PAY RATES

WEST PYMBLE PROVIDES TRAINING FOR ALL NEW UMPIRES AS WELL AS 'BUDDIES' THAT SUPPORT AN UMPIRE'S SKILL PROGRESSION AND DEVELOPMENT DURING GAMES AND THROUGHOUT THEIR UMPIRING CAREER.

AN UMPIRE'S PAY RATE DEPENDS ON THEIR BADGE, AND BADGES ARE AWARDED BASED ON COMPLETION OF CERTAIN KPI'S.

## *DISTRICT BADGES*

### **UNBADGED (UB)**

ALL UMPIRES START OFF AS UNBADGED.

\$5 PER GAME



### **LOW DISTRICT BADGE (LD)**

THIS IS THE FIRST BADGE THAT UMPIRES CAN ACHIEVE.

\$10 PER GAME



### **MID DISTRICT BADGE (MD)**

THIS IS THE SECOND BADGE THAT UMPIRES CAN ACHIEVE, AND YOU WILL RECEIVE A WP UMPIRING SHIRT AFTER ACHIEVING THE MD BADGE.

\$15 PER GAME



### **HIGH DISTRICT BADGE (HD)**

THIS IS THE THIRD BADGE THAT UMPIRES CAN ACHIEVE. KNA REQUIRES YOU TO FIRST COMPLETE THE RULES OF NETBALL THEORY EXAMINATION ONLINE.

A PASSING GRADE IS 70%.

\$18 PER GAME

## *NATIONAL BADGES*

### **NATIONAL C BADGE (C)**

ONCE DISTRICT BADGES HAVE BEEN ACHIEVED, UMPIRES CAN WORK TOWARDS A NATIONALLY ACCREDITED BADGE, STARTING WITH THE NATIONAL C.

UMPIRES ARE REQUIRED BY NETBALL AUSTRALIA TO HAVE COMPLETED BOTH THE THEORY EXAMINATION, AND THE FOUNDATION UMPIRE ONLINE COURSE.

\$22 PER GAME



### **NATIONAL B BADGE (B)**

THIS IS THE SECOND NATIONAL BADGE THAT UMPIRES CAN ACHIEVE.

A PASSING MARK OF 80% OR ABOVE IS REQUIRED ON THE THEORY EXAMINATION.

\$25 PER GAME



### **NATIONAL A BADGE (A)**

THIS IS THE THIRD NATIONAL BADGE THAT UMPIRES CAN ACHIEVE.

A PASSING MARK OF 90% OR ABOVE IS REQUIRED ON THE THEORY EXAMINATION, AS WELL AS PARTICIPATION IN UMPIRE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS.

\$30 PER GAME

# WHAT SHOULD YOU BRING?

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## WHISTLE

WE RECOMMEND THE ACME THUNDERER WHISTLE WHICH CAN BE PURCHASED AT REBEL SPORT OR AT THE CANOON RD NETBALL COURTS DURING THE WINTER SEASON.



## HAIR TIE

HAIR TIES ARE USED BY UMPIRES TO KEEP TRACK OF CENTRE PASSES DURING GAMES. WE RECOMMEND ALWAYS KEEPING A SPARE WITH YOU AS WELL.



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## RULE BOOK

THE RULE BOOK IS AN IMPORTANT RESOURCE THAT CAN HELP UMPIRES LEARN MORE ABOUT NETBALL RULES AND UMPIRING PROCEDURES. IT CAN ALSO BE USED FOR THE RULES OF NETBALL THEORY EXAMINATION. IT CAN BE PURCHASED FROM NETBALL NSW, OR YOU CAN DOWNLOAD THE 'RULES OF NETBALL' APP.



**AND OF COURSE, A SMILE!**

# WEST PYMBLE BUDDY PROGRAM

## GENERAL INFO

IF YOU ARE LOOKING TO IMPROVE YOUR UMPIRING SKILLS, GET MORE INVOLVED AND WOULD LIKE TO EARN SOME EXTRA POCKET MONEY, THEN JOINING THE WEST PYMBLE BUDDY PROGRAM IS PERFECT. WE USUALLY RECOMMEND THAT ALL UMPIRES GAIN AT LEAST SOME BUDDYING EXPERIENCE DURING THEIR UMPIRING CAREER.

BUDDIES ARE PAID BETWEEN \$8 AND \$15 PER GAME, DEPENDING ON THEIR LEVEL OF EXPERIENCE.


WEST PYMBLE PROVIDES MENTORING TRAINING AND SUPPORT FOR ALL BUDDIES.

A MINIMUM OF ONE YEAR OF UMPIRING EXPERIENCE AND MD BADGE OR ABOVE IS REQUIRED TO BECOME A BUDDY.



# RESPONSIBILITIES AND EXPECTATIONS

IT'S IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THAT WHILE UMPIRING IS DEFINITELY A LOT OF FUN, THERE ARE CERTAIN RESPONSIBILITIES THAT EACH UMPIRE IS EXPECTED TO UPHOLD AS BEST THEY CAN TO ENSURE THAT THINGS RUN SMOOTHLY.



UMPIRING IS NOT A VOLUNTEER ROLE - YOU ARE PAID FOR YOUR TIME. THIS MEANS YOU SHOULD APPROACH IT AS YOU WOULD ANY OTHER JOB.

UMPIRES ARE EXPECTED TO CHECK THE DEPUTY APP REGULARLY, AND BE AS COMMUNICATIVE AS REASONABLY POSSIBLE.

UMPIRES SHOULD BE RELIABLE. THINGS HAPPEN, OF COURSE, BUT IT IS EXPECTED THAT UMPIRES PROVIDE AS MUCH NOTICE AS POSSIBLE WHEN UNABLE TO ATTEND AN ALLOCATED GAME OR EVENT.

UMPIRES SHOULD BRING AN ENTHUSIASTIC ATTITUDE AND PROFESSIONAL MANNER WITH THEM TO EACH GAME.

# *HAVE MORE QUESTIONS?*

IF YOU HAVE ANY MORE QUESTIONS ABOUT UMPIRING AND HOW IT WORKS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR UMPIRE'S CONVENOR MADI.

EMAIL: [UMPIRES@WESTPYMBLENETBALL.COM.AU](mailto:UMPIRES@WESTPYMBLENETBALL.COM.AU)



UMPIRING IS A FUN AND REWARDING EXPERIENCE THAT GIVES YOU INVALUABLE SKILLS AND A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE GAME OF NETBALL. WE CANNOT RECOMMEND IT ENOUGH.

HOPEFULLY WE WILL SEE YOU OUT ON THE COURT SOON!

