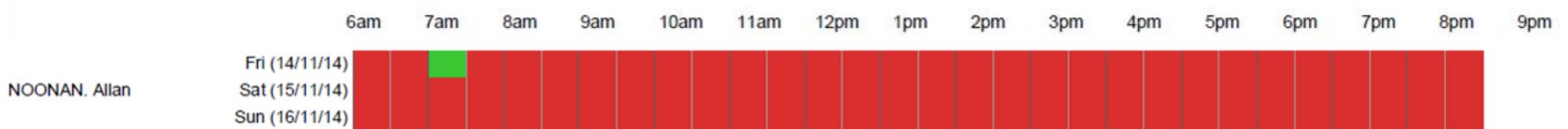


Weekly NTFL Umpire Advisor notes for Round 12

1. Welcome to 2017! Now the run into finals begin with 7 rounds to go.
2. **PLEASE** make sure you are in the umpire change-rooms a **minimum of 45 minutes prior** to the schedule starting match time (1 hour for Premier League), as we get paid to umpire, so we need to be more Professional with our Preparation!!
3. Please remember change room etiquette, including language and dress. This includes ensuring you have your bag tidy and UNDER the seat when you leave to umpire your game.
4. **No Team sheets OR** a team sheet with **no coach, runner & team manager as a minimum on it**, we DON'T WALK out onto the oval **until we get a copy of BOTH team-sheets** or we aren't covered for insurance purposes. **PLEASE speak to the "Match Manager" ASAP** (bright yellow shirt & phone number on weekly match schedule outside our change-room) in relation to any team sheets or ground conditions issues well BEFORE THE MATCH!
5. I've been advised from AFLNT Executive "Umpires will **NOT** take the field in any grade (Except u12's) if an umpire ESCORT is **not provided by BOTH clubs**". We **MUST** wait for BOTH clubs escorts, if it takes 4-5 minutes so be it. Please wait at the boundary line in our correct discipline order. The Match Manager may shorten some quarters due to the sufficient delay because we had to wait for BOTH club escorts!
6. Please ensure in **ALL junior grades – "U18 & below"** that the "Equal Number Rule" **is applied at the start of each quarter, UNLESS** you have **issued** a Yellow or Red Card.
7. **PLEASE STILL UPDATE YOUR "SCHEDULA" EVERY SUNDAY before 8pm!!!** if you're going away during any part of the school holidays, e.g.-**unavailable for the entire 3 days** please put your "unavailability dates" into Schedula ASAP and make yourself available **only for 7am-7.30am on the FRIDAY morning** (as per below example) as this will let the coaching staff know that you have been into schedula and confirm your un-availability for us.

Weekly Availability Report

Week between 10 November 2014 and 16 November 2014



Also any one playing please put you're unavailable in schedula for the rest of the day from hour prior to your playing game because if you get injured during playing then we won't have time to find a replace for you umpiring later that day!!!!

Also it's YOUR responsibility to also **CONFIRM on "schedula" before 8pm on a Thursday night** (please log into schedula even if you didn't get an email after 9pm on a Wednesday evening). **I wasted 5 hours today chasing up people!!!**

8. If a Field Umpire has issued a "Yellow or Red Card" **PLEASE** hold the card up towards the "Timekeepers" area **UNTIL** they hold up the matching A4 coloured sheet (2nd field umpire to jog over to the "timekeepers box" if on the "back oval" if **NO acknowledgement**). **Make sure we don't re-start play until the offender/s has completely left the oval.** **ALL** Yellow and Red cards are to be **marked on the team sheet** (right hand columns).
9. All umpires in that particular game must check off the "REPORT" to ensure we have all correct details written out. If you still haven't picked out the "2016-17 NTFL reporting procedure" document hand-out from the change-rooms! **Please text a photo of "your report sheet"** to Noons via mobile phone **straight after** you have finished checking it off by all umpires in your match.
10. **Don't** forget to "slip, slop, slap" & hydrate properly well before you game.
 - **Water Carrying** - Plenty of NEW yellow shirts at TIO Stadium (above fridge), or in the away venue boxes, SO PLEASE HELP EACH OTHER OUT even if it's only a half a game & Stay Out of the Play. **(No 5lt water containers to be used DURING play – ONLY at the breaks as per by-laws) & please** look after our **new "Umpire AFL water-bottles"** and make sure we bring them in especially from behind the posts. "Blue lid = water, Red lid = sports drinks". **One plastic cup per person/ per day thank you, as we waste too much \$\$\$ on them.**
 - **TRAINING** – Monday 9th January will be "SKILLS" at 5.40pm on TIO No 2 Oval & **NOT** Rosebery Middle anymore due to the damage oval, so (FIELD & BOUNDARY umpires please bring a whistle). Wednesday 11th January starting at 5.40pm on TIO No 2 (please wear your training singlet/shirt or its 50pts & push ups)

Kind regards, Noons