

# Weekly NTFL Umpire Advisor notes for Round 13

1. Defibrillators' are located in the TIO Stadium Medical Room (airport end of grandstand) & in the "Umpires Race" as well in case of an Emergency.
2. 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 last Friday chasing up people!!!**  
**& PLEASE STILL UPDATE YOUR "SCHEDULA" EVERY SUNDAY before 8pm!!!**
3. **PLEASE** make sure you are "INSIDE" 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!!
4. 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.
5. **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!
6. Premier League Umpires need to walk a **minimum of 12 minutes prior** to schedule starting time. So please ready to go before the teams come out.
7. 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!
8. Field Umpires if teams are late out (2 sirens = 2 minutes to scheduled start) then please go & give them a "hurry up please"
9. 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.
10. 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 (2<sup>nd</sup> 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).
11. 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.
12. **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 16<sup>th</sup> January will be "Special Presentation by Josh Tidswell" at 5.40pm at the MLLLC & **THEN "Skills"** so (FIELD & BOUNDARY umpires please bring a whistle). Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January starting at 5.40pm on TIO No 2 (please wear your training singlet/shirt or its 50pts & push ups)

**DO NOT PHONE Mark Noonan – AFLNT Umpiring Manager on Thursday's as it's his RDO, please CALL YOUR DISCIPLINE COACH first if it's urgent!!!**