

Weekly NTFL Umpire Advisor notes for Round 12

1. Welcome to 2018! Now the run into finals begin with 7 rounds to go. For those appointed this weekend we must knuckle down and get the job done by “controlling what we can control” and focus for the whole game from the first bounce until to the final siren to start 2018 on a high note.
2. **PLEASE** make sure you are wearing your NTFLUA polo (new stocked arrived), NTFLUA shorts (\$20 each), covered footwear & be “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 must be **Professional with our Pre-match 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. 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.
6. **“SCHEDULA” MUST BE UPDATED EVERY SUNDAY night before 9pm!!!** (So carefully put in your availability so the coaches can do the appointments or you won't get a game for the next round)
 - a. If you're going to be away during school holidays or have work commitments, 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. **(Also please take out your normal availability)**
 - b. *Appointments will be NOW be email at 11am Tuesday morning so it's YOUR responsibility to **CONFIRM on “schedula” before 5pm Wednesday or Leon will be grumpy & call you as a reminder to CONFIRM!!!.**
(Please log into schedula even if you didn't get an email just after 11am on a Tuesday).

Weekly Availability Report

Week between 10 November 2014 and 16 November 2014



7. 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).
8. When filling out a **“REPORT”** after the game, please make sure if you do make a mistake writing it out, that you destroy all 4 carbon copies & start from starch on all 4 carbon copies so we don't have confusion like a case last season tribunal case!
 - a. 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 “2017-18 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.**
9. **Don't** forget to “slip, slop, slap” & hydrate properly well before you game.
10. **Our Water Carrying is very important** and we all need to please help jog water for our fellow umpires as hydration improves the whole team performance & morale. Plenty of NEW “YELLOW shirts/vests” in the away venue boxes, **SO PLEASE HELP EACH OTHER OUT** even if it's only a half a game & stay OUT of the WAY!
11. **TRAINING** - Monday 8th January will be **“SKILLS & vision”** **at TIO 2** (FIELD & BOUNDARY umpires bring your whistle – be proactive & plan ahead). Wednesday 10th January starting at 5.40pm SHARP on TIO No 2. (please wear team training singlet/shirt or it's 50pts & push ups).
12. If any LATE pull outs (illness/injury) **AFTER 4pm Friday** please call Noons on his mobile as I don't check my emails on weekends & we can't afford umpires not turning up to games in this heat. It's not fair on the other umpires in your match.

Kind regards, Noons