

Weekly NTFL Umpire Advisor notes for Round 13

1. 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. **GARDENS OVAL - bags need to please under the grandstand section.**
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. **POST GAME** I don't want to see umpires walking out of the change-room in bare-feet every again like last weekend because they only brought they on-field match shoes & no towel for a shower in these very wet conditions. **Preparation & PROFESSIONALISM at ALL times please!!!**
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. NEXT Saturday night 20th January @7.30pm – AFLW practise match between Adelaide Crows & Fremantle Dockers will be at TIO Stadium – only those authorised will be allowed in the tunnel & the umpire's change-room **after 6pm.**
7. Then **Round 15 – "Heritage Round"** (Thursday 25th – Sunday 28th January) **ALL Juniors Matches Return Back** (League matches Thursday night, Friday x2 venues & Saturday 2pm). Thursday 25th night from 5.15pm– TIO Stadium & Asbuild Ovals. Friday 26th – Gardens & Norbuilt ovals are on all day with all the grades (15+ games). Saturday 27th – Tracy Village & Jabiru. Sunday 28th – MCG, Gardens Oval & TIO Stadium.
8. **"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



9. When filling out a **"REPORT"** after the game, please make sure 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.**
10. **Don't** forget to "slip, slop, slap" & hydrate properly well before you game.
11. **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!
12. **TRAINING** - Monday 15th January will be **"SKILLS & vision"** at TIO 2 (FIELD & BOUNDARY umpires bring your whistle – be proactive & plan ahead). Wednesday 17th January starting at 5.40pm SHARP on TIO No 2 as we will do a 3km Time Trial after the group warm up on TIO No 2 first. This Time Trial will be goes towards YOUR Finals rankings. (please wear team training singlet/shirt).
13. 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