

UMPIRES CODE OF CONDUCT



An Umpire understands and agrees to:

- ✓ Umpire in accordance with the laws of the game;
- ✓ maintain a working knowledge of the Laws of Australian Football and the Rules;
- ✓ ensure the game is played in a fair manner and a spirit of true sportsmanship;
- ✓ where possible in a contact sport, prevent injuries to players participating in the match;
- ✓ treat all participants, as they would like to be treated;
- ✓ respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of the gender, ability, cultural background or religion;
- ✓ never engage in any type of violence either on or off the field;
- ✓ control their temper. Verbal abuse of players, officials or spectators is not acceptable or permitted behaviours of an Umpire;
- ✓ accept all match appointments in a positive manner;
- ✓ advise AFLQ as soon as practicable should they be unable to officiate any match due to illness or injury;
- ✓ maintain a high reputation and not do any act or thing calculated to or which might otherwise have the effect of prejudicing the reputation of your League or Australian Football;
- ✓ not contrive or attempt to contrive the result of any Match or any aspect of the match in exchange for any bribe, benefit or reward;
- ✓ perform on their merits and officiate to the best of their ability at all times;
- ✓ not give or allow any person any recorded or other interview for broadcast or write any article relating to Australian Football for publication without first obtaining consent of your League;
- ✓ not discuss any aspect of any report made in accordance with the Rules or otherwise with any person without the prior consent of the League;
- ✓ be prepared to be responsible for their actions.
- ✓ demonstrate appropriate social behaviour by not using foul or abusive language, or harassing Players, coaches or officials.