

WAFC POL.11 Umpire Policy: Umpire Fees

POLICY BACKGROUND

The West Australian Football Commission has developed a new Umpire fee structure with a clear focus on improving the match day environment by increasing attraction and retention rates and building a strong pathway for Community Football Umpires.

All Junior Umpire Fees will be reviewed annually as the WAFC continues to look at ways to reduce and clearly define payment levels. This will hopefully remove some of the barriers allowing for greater flexibility for Umpires to be appointed games across various levels of Community Football. From a Club and League volunteer perspective, the simplification of Umpire fees will also reduce confusion and administrative workload around Umpire payments.

The WAFC shall fix the maximum fee for umpires annually prior to the commencement of the season.

PAYMENT

Only qualified umpires who are registered with umpire.afl/officials-hq and appointed by the WAFC can be remunerated by the WAFC, as per the rates in this policy.

Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) is the preferred payment method with 50% paid by each team. This process was successfully implemented in 2020 across most Metro Junior competitions with the intention of having every junior District adhere to this process.

In the event of a forfeit less than 24 hours prior to a game, Umpires will still be required to be remunerated, with the entire cost being paid by the team forfeiting.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

All Ages - Competition Rules

[AFL Laws of Australian Football](#)

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COMPETITION	FEES
<p>YEAR 11/12 COMPETITIONS</p> <p>The WAFC Competition is played as per the AFL Laws of Australian Football.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum of 2 Umpire System, 3 Umpire System recommended • 4 x 20-minute quarters male, 4 x 15-minute quarters female • Official Boundary and Goal Umpires are optional for male competitions • Official Goals Umpires are optional for female competitions <p>18-a-side for male, 16-a-side for female</p>	<p>\$110 per Field Umpire</p> <p>\$60 Boundary (2 Umpire)</p> <p>\$40 Goals</p>
<p>YEAR 10 COMPETITIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Umpire System (where possible) • 4 x 20-minute quarters male, 4 x 15-minute quarters female • 15-a-side <p>15-a-side competitions are played on smaller sized grounds with the “Last Possession” rule enforced. Field Umpires adjudicate out of bounds free kicks removing the need for Boundary Umpires.</p>	<p>\$100 per Umpire (1 Umpire)</p> <p>\$80 per Umpire (2 Umpire)</p>
<p>YEAR 9 COMPETITIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Umpire System (where possible) • 4 x 20-minute quarters, 4x 15-minute quarters female • 15-a-side <p>15-a-side competitions are played on smaller sized grounds with the “Last Possession” rule enforced. Field Umpires adjudicate out of bounds free kicks removing the need for Boundary Umpires.</p>	<p>\$95 per Umpire (1 Umpire)</p> <p>\$70 per Umpire (2 Umpire)</p>
<p>YEAR 8 COMPETITIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Umpire System (where possible) • 4 x 15-minute quarters • 15-a-side <p>15-a-side competitions are played on smaller sized grounds with the “Last Possession” rule enforced. Field Umpires adjudicate out of bounds free kicks removing the need for Boundary Umpires.</p>	<p>\$90 per Umpire (1 Umpire)</p> <p>\$65 per Umpire (2 Umpire)</p>
<p>YEAR 7 COMPETITIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Umpire System (where possible) • 4 x 15-minute quarters • 15-a-side <p>15-a-side competitions are played on smaller sized grounds with the “Last Possession” rule enforced. Field Umpires adjudicate out of bounds free kicks removing the need for Boundary Umpires.</p>	<p>\$80 per Umpire (1 Umpire)</p> <p>\$60 per Umpire (2 Umpire)</p>
<p>YEAR 3-6 COMPETITIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Umpire System • 4 x 15-minute quarters • 15-a-side <p>With reduced ground size and younger age only one Umpire one is required in these competitions. As they also play the “Last Possession” rule, there is no requirement for Boundary Umpires which increases the responsibilities of the Field Umpire.</p>	<p>\$40 per Umpire</p>

***Note: Female Competitions default to higher age for umpire payments**