



St Ives AFL Umpire Matters

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1 Level of Umpires

1.1 Orange Shirts

An orange shirt umpire has undertaken all the necessary training and mentoring and has achieved a level where he or she is capable of controlling a match on their own.

1.2 Green Shirts

A green shirt umpire is 'under training' and will always have a mentor to assist with each game they are involved in.

Moving from a green shirt to an orange shirt takes an umpire from their 'L's and puts them on their 'P's – they are still developing their skills as an umpire via the Level 1 & Level 2 umpire accreditation program.

2 Approaching the Umpire

Under no circumstances are parents, coaches or team managers allowed to approach the umpire. To make a representation to the umpire, please approach the ground manager.

In situations where a player is sent off, they must sit with the Ground Manager and not speak to anyone.

3 Goal Umpiring

Team managers will normally arrange a roster for parents to Goal Umpire. It's not a difficult activity, but you need to pay attention and take it seriously. A few hints

3.1 How to Goal Umpire

- Between inner posts = GOAL
- If touched by player before crossing line = BEHIND
- If touches pole or pad = BEHIND
- Between outer posts = BEHIND
- If touched by player before crossing line = BEHIND
- If touches pole or pad = OUT OF BOUNDS
- GOAL – indicate with 2 fingers, wave 2 flags after umpire gives “all clear”
- BEHIND – indicate with 1 finger, wave 1 flag after umpire gives “all clear”

NOTE: hold flag/s stationary above head until other goal umpire raises his/her flags THEN wave the flag/s THEN enter score on score card.

- Goal Umpires should meet at every break and compare scores.
- If, at ½ time or ¾ time one team is ahead by 60 points (all U/11-U/12 and all Division 3's) tell the Field Umpire/s. This is the Mercy Rule – no scoring applies after this point.