



Junior Umpiring  
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**NEW instruction from this weekend**      **Dangerous Tackles**

Clubs/schools have been advised that the following **NEW** umpiring instruction applies from weekend. Despite continual coaching and education at training and reminders through these bulletins the most common feedback we receive each week is of dangerous tackles not being penalized. Dangerous tackling has now been elevated to be the most **SERIOUS** issue within our games. Please review and implement the following instructions from this weekend in both SANFL Juniors & SANFL School football. It will be a coaching topic at this week's training.

**DANGEROUS TACKLES**

To promote a safe environment in SANFL Juniors ALL dangerous tackles are to be penalised. If you see any of the following in a tackle:

- A players head hits the ground
- A player lifted off the ground in the tackle
- Two distinct actions in the tackle
- Or Intent to hurt by force in the tackle

You must be vigilant in this area to the point of being "over the top"

**IF IN DOUBT** – err on the side of paying a free kick **TO THE TACKLED PLAYER** ! We would prefer we pay more free kicks that are considered "soft" than not pay a free kick at all.

Each time a free kick is awarded for a dangerous tackle the umpire is to sprint to the players involved clearly indicating and loudly calling "**Free kick to (team) for a dangerous tackle**"

**MODIFIED Tackle applies in:**

- Under 9 & 10
- Under 12 Girls

Please see below a link outlining the interpretation and how our umpires are to rule on it.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y9kWXQaFezA>

**Attendance at Training**

Attendance at training is expected

Across our four (4) training venues we now have close to 250 umpires training each week.

Preference for appointments, higher grades and multiple matches is always given to those who attend training regularly. If you are unable to attend training please let your coach/administrator know on a week by week basis or contact us in the office and we will pass on the message.

## Umpires Match Day Guide

An updated Umpires Match Day Guide 2018 was issued to all umpires during last week. Please take the time to read it and if you have any questions discuss with your coach at training.

If you did not receive a copy please email [sanfljuniorsumpiring@sanfl.com.au](mailto:sanfljuniorsumpiring@sanfl.com.au) and a copy can be emailed to you.

## Umpire Communication Framework

The Umpires Match Day Guide contains details of the Umpire Communication Framework adopted for this season. Please take some time to refresh yourself of it and understand who can approach you during the breaks and what they can communicate with you.

Disputing or discussing particular decisions does not fall within the framework and should be reported as a breach of this framework. A club was fined last round \$250 for a clear breach.

Email [Barry.Oates@sanfl.com.au](mailto:Barry.Oates@sanfl.com.au) details of any issues you have in this area.

## Reminders

### GENERAL

- Umpire Appearance – tuck your shirt in, keep your socks up & generally look the part
- Schedules
  - General availability should be set for the season (SET & FORGET)
  - Specific (un)availability is to be used when unavailable for a particular date during the season. DO NOT remove your General Availability

### ON FIELD

- Umpire Appreciation Activity – a compulsory activity for umpires to initiate and competing teams to be involved in
- Injured players – injured players are the domain of the team's First Aid Officer. We do not get involved in asking for injured players to be moved or treated
- Stretcher – play MUST be stopped when any umpire is advised or is aware a stretcher is on the field
- Disputing of umpires decisions – a free kick can and should be awarded in all cases
- Observation of the Last Act of Play – keep an eye on the disposer of the football (by hand or foot) for a split second. This will enable you to see & penalise any late contact that occurs on the disposer

## Umpiring Opportunities

- Email expression of interest for any umpiring opportunities to [sanfljuniorsumpiring@sanfl.com.au](mailto:sanfljuniorsumpiring@sanfl.com.au)

### SANFL ½ time matches

Saturday June 16th	Norwood v Glenelg	2.40pm	Coopers Stadium
Sunday June 17 <sup>th</sup>	North Adelaide v Central District	2.10pm	Prospect Oval
Sunday June 17 <sup>th</sup>	Port Adelaide v Sturt	2.40pm	Alberton Oval
Saturday June 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Glenelg v Eagles	2.40pm	Gliderol Stadium
Sunday July 1 <sup>st</sup>	Sturt v Adelaide	2.10pm	Peter Motley Oval

- Under 12 (Year 6/7) level football
- \$20 cash payment

### **SANFL Under 15/Under 17 Championships**

- Tuesday July 17<sup>th</sup> at Peter Motley Oval, Gliderol Stadium, Coopers Stadium & Maughan Thiem Oval
- Wednesday July 18<sup>th</sup> at Prospect Oval, My Money House Oval, City Mazda Stadium, Hickinbotham Oval
- Thursday July 19<sup>th</sup> at Prospect Oval, Peter Motley Oval, Coopers Stadium & City Mazda Stadium
- Match times 10.30am, 12.05pm & 1.40pm
- Match fees paid to bank account
- **“aspiring” SANFL umpires only**
- Expression of Interest nominating times/days available to [sanfljuniorsumpiring@sanfl.com.au](mailto:sanfljuniorsumpiring@sanfl.com.au) by **Friday June 29<sup>th</sup>** please

### **Communication with the Office**

Much of the communication with the office can be avoided if you ask questions at training, read the weekly bulletins that are sent or refer to the umpiring information on the SANFL website. <http://sanfl.com.au/juniors-umpiring-resources/>. Please refer to these resources in the first instance.

In regard to communication we unfortunately still receive communication that is rude, demanding or disrespectful. These are deleted without reply.

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