

SUCCESS UMPIRE DEVELOPMENT SQUAD (SUDS)

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APPLICABILITY

This policy applies to all Board, Sub Committees, Affiliated Members and their Members. All volunteers, spectators and other participants of Success Netball Association Activities.

CHANGES TO THIS POLICY

This Policy may be cancelled, amended, or supplemented by the Association as and when it sees fit. Any variation will be emailed to Clubs and Entity Teams by the Association and uploaded to our website. The Association will review this policy on a regular basis to ensure that it remains effective in supporting the objectives and strategic direction of the Association, and to ensure ongoing best practice.

INTENT OF POLICY

To provide clarification to umpires and parents, Success Netball Association (SNA) Board, subcommittees, affiliated members and their members for those trialling and selected for the Success Umpire Development Squad (SUDS).

THE POLICY

The SUDS Program aims to support umpires through the different pathways available at SNA. Two integrated pathways, designed to develop new skills, ability and knowledge.

Evolution Pathway

Umpires on the 'evolution' pathway are honing their skills with the help from dedicated support, paving their way to officiate at higher levels as they consolidate their expertise.

Excellence Pathway

Umpires on the 'excellence' pathway are entrusted with higher-level games, striving to get on the state umpire pathway, marking their status as top-tier officials within the Association.

To be eligible for selection into the SUDS the following will apply. Umpires must:

- Advise their club of their intention to attend trials.
- Be registered with a club at Success Netball Association for the coming Winter season.
- Have completed their Rules of Netball Theory Exam and achieved a pass mark of more than 70% within the last 4-years.
- Have completed their Foundations or Elite Course in the last 4-years.
- Hold a National Badge or be willing to Work towards a National Badge.

- Attend a minimum of one trial.

The AUDO in consultation with the Development Committee shall administer the selection process. There shall be a minimum of three persons appointed by the AUDO and development committee to be selectors, this may or may not include the AUDO and these will be considered the main Selectors.

SNA umpire coaches are appointed by the Association Umpire Development Officer (AUDO) in consultation with the SNA Board, Development Committee or any umpire development sub-committee. Umpire coaches shall be appointed before the player selection process.

No Selector shall be involved in the selection of any umpire who is directly related to them.

SUDS Umpire Coaches may be consulted prior to final selection decisions.

Trials Specific Information

Trials are to be held concurrently with STRIPE trials. All umpires must attend a minimum of one trial which will consist of practical umpiring. After the trials have been finalised, the Squad will be announced.

Trials will be conducted outdoors. A white T/Shirt and a white or dark coloured skirt, shorts or sport pants, are to be worn. No Regional, Academy or SNA clothing is to be worn.

Selectors shall consider all aspects including (but not limited to) physical ability, skill, rule understanding and application, ability to implement feedback, and attitude. Selectors shall reach decisions by consensus wherever possible. If consensus cannot be reached, a vote by the main selectors shall be held.

Squad Selection

The squad will be announced on the Success Netball Association website, Social Media pages and via email to clubs.

General

Prior achievements and accomplishments outside of trials and squad training may be considered.

Injured umpires may be given time to trial by being viewed at other appropriate times e.g. Club Grading or the Pre-Season Grading Carnival.

Umpires must be available to umpire throughout the SNA Winter Season and shall represent the Association at other competitions e.g. Fuel to Go Association Championships.

After selection umpires may be moved up or down the development pathways at the discretion of the AUDO in conjunction with the SUDS Umpire Coaches and Development Committee.

SUDS Umpires are not guaranteed to receive a SUDS umpiring opportunity each week. This is subject to game availability and is at the discretion of the AUDO.



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Umpire Coaching is available when rostered to a game. However coaching may not be on a 1 on 1 basis for the entire game. This is subject to Umpiring Coaching availability.

Payments for SUDS games are as follows:

Evolution Pathway - \$25

Excellence Pathway - \$35

NOTE: Paid at the end of Rounds 5, 10 and 15 by SNA Administration.