



## **FSC POLICY: NON APPOINTED MATCH OFFICIALS OFFICIATING AT GAMES FOR MEN'S PREMIERSHIP, COMMUNITY LEAGUE, WOMENS AND UNDER 18'S DIVISION 1**

The purpose of this policy is to clarify requirements in relation to Non Appointed Registered Referees and Volunteer officiating at FSC fixtures who have not been formally appointed via the FSC Matchref System.

The following definitions apply in relation to this Policy:

*Non Appointed Match Officials* – Registered Referee's or Volunteers that have not been officially appointed to an FSC Fixture which is administered via the Matchref system

*Registered Referees* are those that are registered in Myfootballclub and entitled to officiate during FSC fixtures as aligned to their relevant referee grading

*Volunteers* are defined as:

- Volunteer Referee's as part of the Community League and Women's competition requirements; OR
- Members of the public who are volunteering their services and are not registered via myfootball club to officiate at matches; OR
- Registered referees who are not graded to referee that game by more than 3 grades (eg A Registered Referee graded as a classification of 6 refereeing a game requiring a grading of 1, 2 or 3)

### **1. Registered Referees that officiate at games where they are Non Appointed Match Officials**

#### Requirements of the Club:

- a. The club must not pay the referee cash on the day – the payment will be made electronically by FSC and invoiced to the club monthly
- b. The clubs must ensure after the fixture that the referee's name and 'club appointed' is written on the teamsheet

Sanctions to the Club for failing to comply with the requirement:

The club will be fined an amount of \$100.

#### Requirements of the Referee:

- a. The referee must not accept this appointment from the Club if they are requested to officiate a game 3 levels above their grade
- b. Payment will be 100% (less any relevant levies) of the approved referee fee when the Registered Referee officiates a games within the 3 levels
- c. Registered Referees are to write their name on the team sheet with 'club appointed' written in brackets next to the referee's name.
- d. Registered Referee is able to wear their Referee Uniform
- e. The Registered Referee is still expected to write/submit reports (as required) for any incidents/send-offs
- f. If a registered referee is at a game and offer their services without being approached, they must seek permission from the host club match day coordinator first
- g. The Registered Referee must advise the Referee Co-ordinator via text (0418 661 743) prior to the kick off of the fixture

Penalties to the Registered Referee for failing to comply with these requirements:

Registered Referees failing to uphold these expectations, will incur a \$50.00 fine (first offence) and any subsequent occurrences will result in the member being fined 100%. The member will also be required to appear before the FSC Referees Council and may be subject to further disciplinary measures which may include suspended appointments for a period of time.

## **2. Volunteers that officiate at games where they are Non Appointed Match Officials**

### Requirements of the Club:

- a. The club may pay up to 50% of the approved referee fee to the Volunteer. This payment is to be made in cash.
- b. The club must ensure the name of the Volunteer is recorded on the Team Sheet
- c. The club must ensure they have contact details of the Volunteer in the event that FSC needs to contact the Volunteer for any reason
- d. For Women's and Community League games – where there is no referee appointed via the Matchref system, it is preferable that any Volunteers have completed the Referee Volunteer Course as specified by the relevant Football Council and as specified in the Competition Application form.
- e. The home team is responsible for payment of the centre referee
- f. For Women's and Community League games – if there is no assistant referees appointed via the Matchref system, the home team is to supply one and the away team is to supply one. The home and away team will therefore pay their own assistant referee who does not have to have undertaken the Referee Volunteer Course

### Sanctions to the Club:

The club will be fined an amount of \$100 for any breaches of this requirement and may be requested to ensure the Volunteer does not officiate at any future fixtures.

### Requirements of the Volunteer Referee:

- a. The Volunteer is required to write their name and mobile number on the team sheet with 'volunteer'
- b. The Volunteer must not wear their referee uniform and wear a yellow vest
- c. The Volunteer is still expected to write/submit reports (as required) for any incidents/send-offs
- d. If a Volunteer who is a Registered Referee is at a game and offer their services without being approached, they must seek permission from the host club match day coordinator first
- e. The Registered Referee must advise the Referee Co-ordinator via text (0418 661 743) prior to the kick off of the fixture

### Penalties to the Volunteer Referee:

Registered Referee members failing to uphold these expectations, will incur a \$50.00 fine (first offence) and any subsequent occurrences will result in the member being fined 100%. The member will also be required to appear before the FSC Referees Council and may be subject to further disciplinary measures which may include suspended appointments for a period of time.