

Team Vic Australian Football Umpires Trial & Selection Guidelines

The School Sport Australia (SSA) 12 years and under Australian Football Championships will be held in Adelaide, SA from **Saturday 6 August – Saturday 13 August 2022.**

The School Sport Australia (SSA) 15 years and under Australian Football Championships will be held in Marrara, NT from **Saturday 23 July – Sunday 30 July 2022.**

Eligibility:

- Umpires must be a current school student at an SSV member school.

SSV Member Schools:

- Trialling for Team Vic is only possible if your child’s school is a financial member of SSV for 2022
- SSV will contact you if the school your child attends is not a financial member

Trials Progression:

- Participants must indicate at time of registration if you wish to attend the 12 Years and Under Championships, or the 15 Years and Under Championships
- Participants will be allocated to a trial date via email for their chosen age group championships
- Participants must attend at least 1 trial
- All umpire types (Field, Boundary and Goal umpires) must have a Level 1 accreditation.

State Selection:

- School Sport Victoria will be endeavouring to supply a minimum of three umpires for each of the SSA Australian Football 12 years and under and 15 years and under Championships
- The 2022 team selections will be incorporated with the Team Vic Australian Football trials as indicated below and on the Team Vic Australian Football Umpires Nomination Forms.

<p>15 Years & Under Championships <i>You will be allocated by email to either:-</i></p> <p>Dates and Venues TBC</p>	<p>12 Years & Under Championships <i>You will be allocated by email to:-</i></p> <p>Thursday, 5 May 2022 Saltwater Reserve Point Cook. 1-5 Saltwater Promenade (Cnr Point Cook Rd) Point Cook 9.30am – 2:30pm</p>
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SELECTION GUIDELINES

School Sport Australia Championships consists of both educational and sporting components. Being a member of a SSV State Team provides an opportunity to be involved in all educational and sporting excursions and aim for national selection.

Team members are expected to abide by the following responsibilities:

- Attending **optional** training sessions/umpiring games
- Purchase of the compulsory uniform
- Attending team photograph sessions
- Completing team documentation and returning same to team management by due date
- Ensuring team membership invoice is paid by due date
- Attending all sessions of the School Sport Australia Championship, including the Opening and Closing Ceremonies and the excursion activity
- Recognising that all School Sport Australia Championships are school activities, and that duty of care and decision-making regarding each team member's participation in those activities or in preparation for those activities, is the responsibility of the team management / coaching staff
- Team Officials ensuring that the selection process is fair and transparent, and that students, parents and teachers are made aware of this process.

Guidelines for selections

- Be prepared to umpire as requested on the day
- Field umpires may be required to assist in the roles of Boundary and/or Goal Umpires on the day
- Boundary umpires may be required to assist in the role of Goal umpire on the day
- Umpires will be required to supply their own on-field umpiring attire and whistle/flags for the selection trials
- Team officials also reserve the right to not require an umpire to participate in any trial stage if they deem it to be unnecessary. This would be in cases where the umpire has been observed previously.
- Team officials reserve the right to select an umpire who is injured or unavailable due to an approved reason during the trial process for reasons applicable to the Team Vic Invitational Policy. Team balance is critical to selection of the final squad.

Selectors are looking for:

- Umpires with a good understanding of the rules and their applications
- Ability to cooperate as part of the "third team" on the field
- Good communication skills with their colleagues, and with players and officials
- Good skills – strong whistle, clear signals, good ball skills (Field and Boundary) and crisp signals and flag waving (Goal Umpires)
- On-field presence
- Positive on and off field behaviour
- Strong sense of team spirit / good sportsmanship

- Fitness
- Ability to follow instructions
- Ability to control emotions
- Leadership skills
- Carry out above skills under pressure