



***Vision: To Be The Leading Polocrosse Nation And Expand The Family Sport Of Polocrosse World Wide***

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His Excellency General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Retd)  
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## ***Role of Umpires in Polocrosse***

### **Umpire;**

- Ensure field is safe for play
- Have a sound knowledge of rules
- Have correct dress White paints, Boots, Umpires jacket, Umpires Saddle cloth
- Umpire without Bias of prejudice
- Be suitably mounted
- Control and manage the game
- Ensure Safety & Welfare of players, horses & spectators is paramount
- Ensure rules of game are adhered to
- Report all incidents/accidents to Zone Umpiring Director or his representative immediately on completion of game and fill out paperwork required

### **Club Umpire Coach;**

- Coach club umpires in positioning and rule interpretation
- Liaise with Zone Umpiring committee re Mentoring and coaching Umpires
- Identify student umpires
- Educate umpires re umpiring pathways B grade->A grade -> State -> National
- Identify umpires for ticket upgrade and help develop a plan of action to upgrade ticket
- Ensure all your club players saddlery and equipment is according to PAA rule book
- Run at least 1 umpiring school in conjunction with club practise
- Allocate umpires at home tournament in conjunction with Zone Umpiring Director or his representative. [ Zone Umpiring Director or his representative must approve all umpires and Allocate umpires for all finals.]

### **Zone Umpiring Director / Zone Umpiring Committee;**

- Appoint a committee of minimum of 2 people from different clubs, from nominations received at Zone AGM.
- Mentor/ Coach umpires aspiring to student umpires
- Issue B grade tickets to new umpires

- Identify A & B grade umpires with enough experience and skill for ticket Upgrade recommend to State Umpiring Committee
- Run at least 1 umpiring school per year
- Ensure all rules in PAA rule book are adhered to and enforced at all times
- Any breaches of rules are reported to State Umpiring Committee
- Zone Umpiring Committee work in conjunction with Zone Horse Welfare Officer with regard to horse welfare. Any major infringements reported to State Umpiring committee and Welfare Officer.

### **Zone Umpiring Committee at Tournament**

- Ensure fields are safe for play and each field has 2 PAA approved Umpires jackets
- Oversee the appointment of umpires to all games
- Ensure all A & B grade games have 2 umpires
- Appoint Umpires for All Finals
- Ensure a horse ambulance is available with a screen should the need arise
- Ensure Ambulance or Approved first aid is in attendance prior to start of play
- Oversee the vetting out of all horses in conjunction with Zone Horse Welfare Officer

### **State Umpiring Director/Committee**

- Appoint a committee of minimum of 2, A grade umpires or above from different zones within your state. It is recommended that these umpires are not current Zone Umpiring Directors. [Gives more umpires ownership and improves pathway]
- Educate umpires re umpiring pathways B grade->A grade -> State -> National
- In conjunction with State Management Committee/State Board, Umpiring committee should Adjudicate on major infringements of PAA rule book and issue set penalties or refer to PAA Umpiring Director/Committee and PAA Board for deliberation.
- Liaise with Zone Umpiring Directors on a regular basis
- Ensure all rules in PAA rule book are adhered to and enforced at all times
- Allocate all umpires at State Club and Zone Championships in conjunction with attending Zone Umpiring Director Ensure all A & B grade games have 2 umpires
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- Liaise with State Horse Welfare Officer on a regular Basis
- Report all major infringements of PAA Rule book to PAA Umpiring Director/committee

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