



UMPIRE ESCORT HELP CARD



- OVERVIEW** This role is responsible for the safety and well being of the Field Umpire, prior to, during and after the match. This role may be combined with the **Interchange Steward** role.
- EQUIPMENT** White Coat and Red Umpire Escort Armband.
- TIMING** As agreed between you and the Team Manager.
- PAPERWORK** Nil
- ACTIVITY** ***Prior to Match Commencement***
- Ten minutes prior to Match start go to Umpire Room (opposite Away Team Change Room) and introduce yourself to the Field Umpire.
 - Prior to Match commencement, escort the Field Umpire to the centre of the ground. Wait with Field Umpire until game is about to commence. Go to the boundary between the Interchange Benches to commence Interchange Steward duty.
- During Match***
- At the end of the 1st and 3rd Quarters immediately make your way to the Field Umpire and remain with them for the entire period. Refreshments may be offered.
 - At Half Time escort the Field Umpire off the ground to the Umpire Room and provide refreshments obtained from the Canteen or oranges from Team supply. At recommencement of Match escort the Field Umpire back to the ground.
- Post Match***
- At the end of the Match immediately make your way to the Field Umpire and escort them to the Umpire Room.



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DO'S AND DON'TS

- If any physical abusive situation arises towards yourself or the Field Umpire, **do** try to remain calm and try to diffuse the situation without violence.
- **Do** understand the importance of the role and remain diligent and attentive to the needs of the Umpire at all times.
- **Do** ensure you uphold the Greythorn Falcons Code of Conduct and support the Rules and Regulations of the Yarra Junior Football League.
- **Do not** abuse the Field Umpire or question their decisions.
- **Do not** make any remark, comment or respond to any verbal interaction from Players, Parents, Team Officials or Spectators. Provide any feedback directly to the Team Manager only.
- **Do not** comment on the state of play or rule interpretation to the Field Umpire. Provide any feedback directly to the Team Manager only.
- **Do not** allow any Team Official, other than the Team Manager to approach the Field Umpire unless it is assessed and you have agreed with the Field Umpire that they are comfortable with the situation.