

Umpires Appointment Committee (UAC)

2020-2021 Terms of Reference



1. WADCC

- a) Reference is made to section 3.4 of the WADCC General Rules which sets out criteria for the composition and selection of the Umpires Appointment Committee (UAC).

2. WACA

- a) The UAC abides by all relevant policies as determined by the WADCC.

3. UAC

- a) Meetings
 - i. Meetings will be held after each two rounds of Premier Cricket, or as appropriate.
 - ii. Meetings will take place in the middle of a two-day fixture.
 - iii. Where possible, meetings will be held at the WACA in a meeting room arranged by the Umpire Development Specialist.
 - iv. The Chairman may invite guests to attend a meeting of the UAC, either as a standing or single invite, but that person may not be eligible to vote on any matter.
 - v. Meeting dates for the season to be advised to the WADCC through the Umpire Development Specialist once fixtures have been confirmed.
 - vi. A quorum for meeting of the UAC will be the chair, any three (3) members plus the Umpire Development Specialist.
- b) Chairman
 - i. The WADCC Management Committee member shall be appointed chair of the UAC by the WADCC.
 - ii. The Chair and the Competitions & Operations Manager do not have responsibility for Umpire Rankings or appointments.
 - iii. The 4 elected UAC members and the Umpire Development Specialist shall be responsible for Umpire Rankings and appointments.
- c) State Umpire Group (SUG)
 - i. The UAC shall select the SUG.
 - ii. Selection criteria is based on existing umpires who have the capability of fulfilling appointments to Cricket Australia representative matches.
- d) Ranking of Umpires
 - i. The ranking, selection, appointments and match day observations of umpires is the UAC's primary role in regards to servicing WACA sanctioned competitions.
 - ii. Rankings will not be published.
 - iii. The UAC will publish a Ranking Policy that will guide the Committee in the ranking and appointment process.
- e) Umpire appointments

- i. The UAC shall appoint umpires to 1st to 4th Grade matches in accordance with the Ranking Policy.
 - ii. The UAC shall divide into two subsets with two UAC members and a Umpire Development Specialist appointing to 1st and 2nd Grade and two UAC members and a Umpire Development Specialist appointing to 3rd and 4th Grade.
 - iii. Other competition appointments, when not undertaken by the UAC, will be the responsibility of the Match Officials Unit.
 - iv. When amendments to the set appointments are required to be made during the appointment block that responsibility will rest with the Umpire Development Specialist.
- f) Finals Umpires
 - i. The UAC will appoint umpires to all finals matches in accordance with the Ranking Policy.
 - ii. A third umpire may be appointed to all Grand Finals in senior grades including the One Day and T20 competitions.
 - iii. Umpires must be available for all weeks of the finals to be considered for selection unless required for CA duties or other circumstances which have been previously advised and approved by the UAC.
- g) Peter McConnell Medal
 - i. The UAC will select a nominee at the end of the season based on the WACUA criteria and submit the nomination for consideration of the WACUA.
- h) CA Competitions
 - i. The UAC shall endorse the appointment and nomination of umpires to CA competition matches and championships as determined by the Match Officials Unit upon request of CA.
- i) Code of Conduct and Training
 - i. A UAC member shall sign a code of conduct, outlining the requirements and expectations of the role, prior to commencing their term.
 - ii. UAC members shall undergo training in regard to fulfilling the requirements of their role, particularly in relation to the match observation umpires.

4. WACA Match Officials Unit

- a) Specific role on UAC
 - i. The WACA Match Officials Unit consists of the Competitions & Operations Manager and Umpire Development Specialist. Both are appointed as members of the UAC.
 - ii. The Match Officials Unit will provide the UAC members with up to date information prior to each meeting such as spreadsheet with Captains' report marks and any pertinent comments along with copies of Match Day Observers' reports.
 - iii. The Match Officials Unit will provide recommendations to the UAC in regard to promotion and demotion of umpires based on performance and any other relevant issues.
- b) Umpire appointments
 - i. Other competition appointments, when not undertaken by the UAC, will be the responsibility of the Match Officials Unit.
 - ii. When amendments to the set appointments are required to be made during the appointment block that responsibility will rest with the Umpire Development Specialist.
- c) SUG
 - i. The Match Officials Unit will manage the acceptance criteria for being part of the SUG.

- d) Umpire performance feedback
 - i. The Match Officials Unit is responsible for providing all performance feedback to individual umpires. The UAC is also available on request.
- e) Coaching/Training
 - i. In collaboration with others provide necessary coaching in line with WACA and CA requirements.
 - ii. Provide training for UAC members in regard to fulfilling the requirements of their role, particularly in relation to the match observation umpires.
- f) Umpire development
 - i. Wherever possible provide additional educational and development opportunities to all umpires.
- g) Match Official System (MOS)
 - i. Manage the MOS which the UAC members will access to enter match day reviews.

5. Match Day Observers

- a) Criteria
 - i. All UAC members are to act as match day observers and complete the formal report.
 - ii. Where possible appoint match day observers who are not current umpires
 - a) Match Day Observers to be appointed by Match Officials Unit in collaboration with Match Day Observer
 - b) Formal report to be completed via the Match Official System and submitted by Monday following the observation
 - c) Match day observers to provide verbal feedback to individual umpires when deemed necessary and a summary of those discussions to be relayed to the Match Officials Unit as soon as practical

Approved: Monday 13th July 2020 by WADCC Management Committee