

# CIRCULAR

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## 2026 Community Football Referee Match Payments

Please find below the referee match payments for 2026 Football NSW Community football competitions:

	COMPETITION	REFEREE	ASSISTANT REFEREE (EACH)
<b>STATE COMPETITIONS</b>	All Age	\$90	\$45
	O/45, O/35 & O/30	\$80	\$40
	Under 21	\$80	\$40
	Under 18	\$70	\$35
	Under 17	\$65	\$32
	Under 16	\$60	\$30
	Under 15	\$55	\$28
	Under 14 & 13	\$45	\$23
<b>LOCAL ASSOCIATION COMPETITIONS</b>	All Age 1 <sup>st</sup> Division	\$90	\$45
	All Age 2 <sup>nd</sup> Division & Down	\$80	\$40
	O/45, O/35 & O/30	\$80	\$40
	Under 21 & 19	\$80	\$40
	Under 18	\$70	\$35
	Under 17	\$65	\$32
	Under 16	\$60	\$30
	Under 15	\$55	\$28
	Under 14 & 13	\$45	\$23
	Under 12	\$40	\$20

## Match Duration

The above match fees are determined in line with the following match durations. If a community match duration does not align with the below match duration table, the Association is advised to adjust the rate to the most appropriate match fee.

AGE	MATCH DURATION
All Age 1st Division	90 minutes
All Age 2nd Div & Lower	90 minutes
O/45, O/35 & O/30	90 minutes
Under 21 & 19	90 minutes
Under 18	90 minutes
Under 17	80 minutes
Under 16	80 minutes
Under 15	70 minutes
Under 14 & 13	70 minutes

## Game Leaders in MiniRoos Age Grades

Consistent with the MiniRoos National Playing Formats and Rules, matches in modified football are to be officiated by a Game Leader.

Where the Game Leader is appointed via the Football Association or its Referee Branch, and there is an agreement in place that the Referee will be paid, the relevant payment applies.

The payments do not apply where a Football Association does not approve the official appointment of qualified Referees to act as Game Leaders.

The Football NSW Game Leader Handbook can be found on the Football NSW website, outlining the rules and playing formats for each age group, Under 6 – Under 13.

Regards,



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