

Basketball New South Wales Advanced Referee Program November 2017

Advanced Referee Program Outline

What is the purpose of the ARP?

The aim of the Advanced Referee Program is to identify, educate and provide a planned development program for those officials who have displayed the interest and potential to progress to an elite level.

Who is eligible to be a member of the ARP?

The program is open to all basketball referees in New South Wales who are older than 18 years of age and generally not older than 30 years of age in the year of operation.

Selection Criteria Policy

Applicants should note the following qualifications are designed as guidelines for selection into this program. BNSW has the right to nominate into the program officials who may not necessarily fulfil all the criteria. The GM: Officials and Competitions along with the ARP Program Manager/s will review all nominations, and selections will be made accordingly and may be ratified by the AJC Selection panel/Senior Program Managers.

Selection Criteria

- Meet all eligibility requirements to referee any of the 7 divisions of Waratah Senior League.
- Be willing to mentor.
- Must be willing to commit to all advertised events for the ARP
- Have an awareness of the National Panel Referee Qualities Document and be prepared to work towards/ or be meeting all criteria.
- Must adhere to all Basketball NSW policies and guidelines, inclusive but not limited to social media.
- Participant in BNSW sanctioned event/s via BNSW Referee Department.
- Be willing to facilitate a beginner course during the season.
- Applicants must hold a minimum volunteer WWC.
- Must be over 18 and hold a current State Grading.
- The referees **MUST** be a financial member of Basketball NSW.
- The program is not gender specific and all candidates are selected on potential.
- The program is open to Metropolitan and Country officials equally.
- Must be actively officiating a minimum of 4 games per month in the Association that accepts the official's registration.
- Outstanding potential, ability and attitude to compete successfully at State and National Level.
- Be highly receptive to coaching.

The Selection Process

The referee's potential to meet the selection criteria is assessed by members of the ARP group and / or Referee Program Managers, and BNSW Referee Staff. This will be done by observing the referees through their involvement at junior and/or senior representative level, State programs plus Australian Junior Championships.

At the conclusion of the above process of observation, receipt of application from the official, consultation and evaluation, the ARP Nominating group (as above) will recommend referees to the GM: Officials and Competitions for approval.

What does the ARP Program entail?

ARP members will be required to attend training camps, scheduled events and any other nominated ARP related event. Referees will be eligible to apply to attend AJC during the season, and must be regularly officiating at Senior League level. All referees will be required to adhere to the “**code of conduct**” and “**professionalism**” documentation as determined by the Board of Basketball NSW. They must also adhere to the “behaviour agreement” signed each season. Any breach of behaviour will be dealt with by the GM: Officials and Competitions in the first instance.

- *ARP officials need to be seen as positive role models in the greater basketball community. Due to the nature of the ARP program, all officials involved will be under scrutiny from various participants in our sport. It is imperative that officials adhere to all written and implied codes of conduct to ensure their ongoing success and continuation in the program. Officials removed from the ARP program for “behaviour” issues may find themselves removed from all national and elite opportunities.*

Non-attendance or non-compliance will result in, in the first instance a phone call, email or letter from the ARP program manager with a request for explanation/ or final time line.

If this matter remains unresolved or there is a second incident of non-attendance or non-compliance, this will be directed to the GM: Officials and Competitions for further action/review.

Extensions and exemptions must be applied for in advance of completion date in writing/email with a reason for request to the GM: Officials and Competitions.

Non completion (without approval) and or poor performance at Waratah Senior League could result in removal from the ARP program.

The ARP Program has no defined timeline. However officials that have completed their Nationals pathway and/or progress to the National Panel/SEABL and/or have achieved Level 3 Crew Chief for Championship Men's Division will generally no longer be eligible

Group A: Would be traditionally State Level (Level 2) officials who are in consideration for 16's Nationals or Schools. Officiating Youth League and Division 1.

Group B: Would have held their State Level for some time and actively working on 3PO games. Championship level games with experienced crew. In consideration for primarily 18s Nationals depending on opportunity. Would be attending a National Development course.

Group C: Working towards their National Development, having already completed the course. Primarily in consideration for 18's and 20s. Working on Championship Division regularly.