

# **WEST HOCKEY**

## Officiating Survey 2022

SUMMARY OF RESPONSES

December 2022

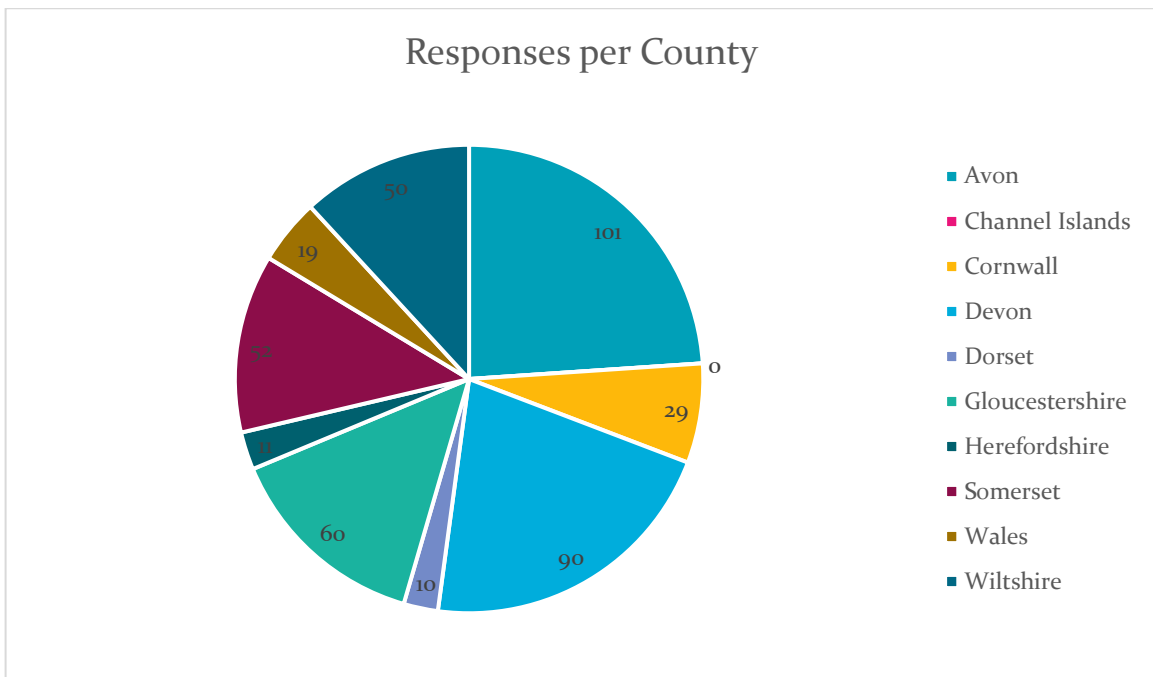
## Introduction

This paper summarises the key findings from a survey of umpires in West hockey undertaken in November 2022. We now wait on the EH Officiating survey data for the West.

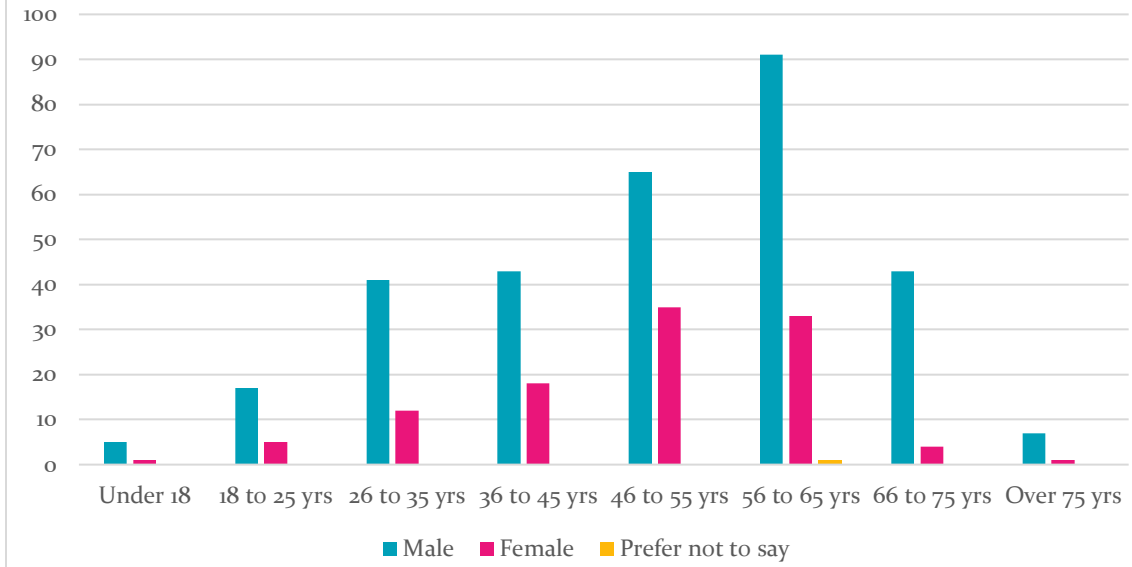
## Responses to Survey

### General Information

There has been an excellent return to the survey with 422 responses received from across the West Area (approximately 32% response rate).

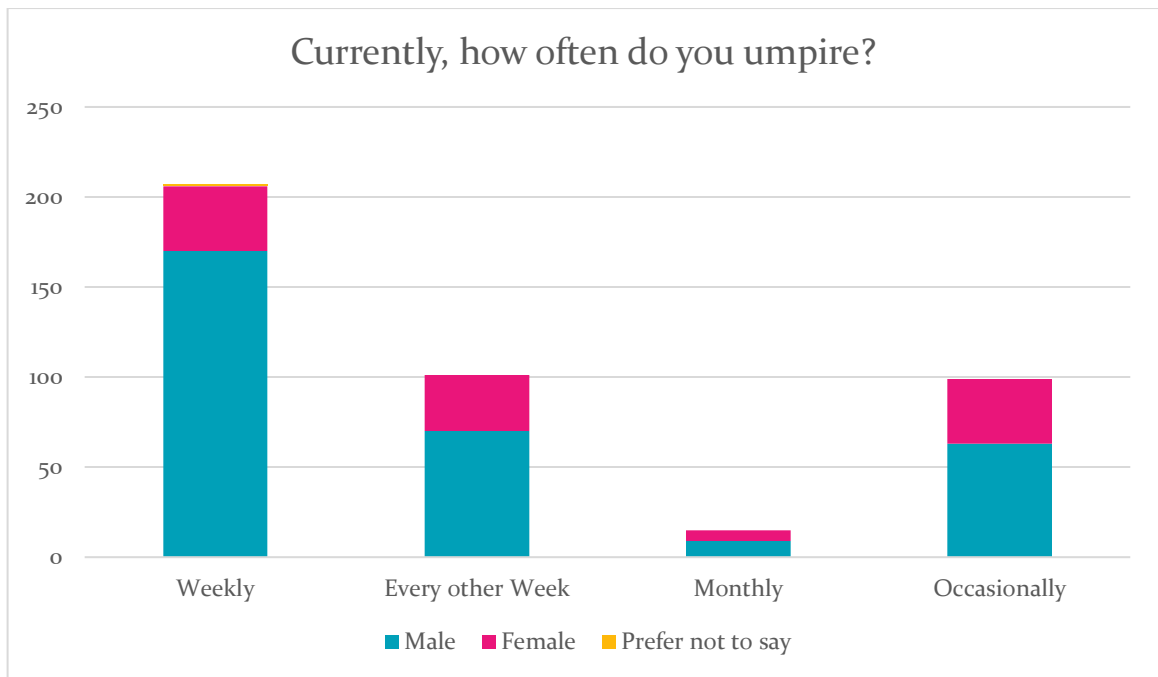
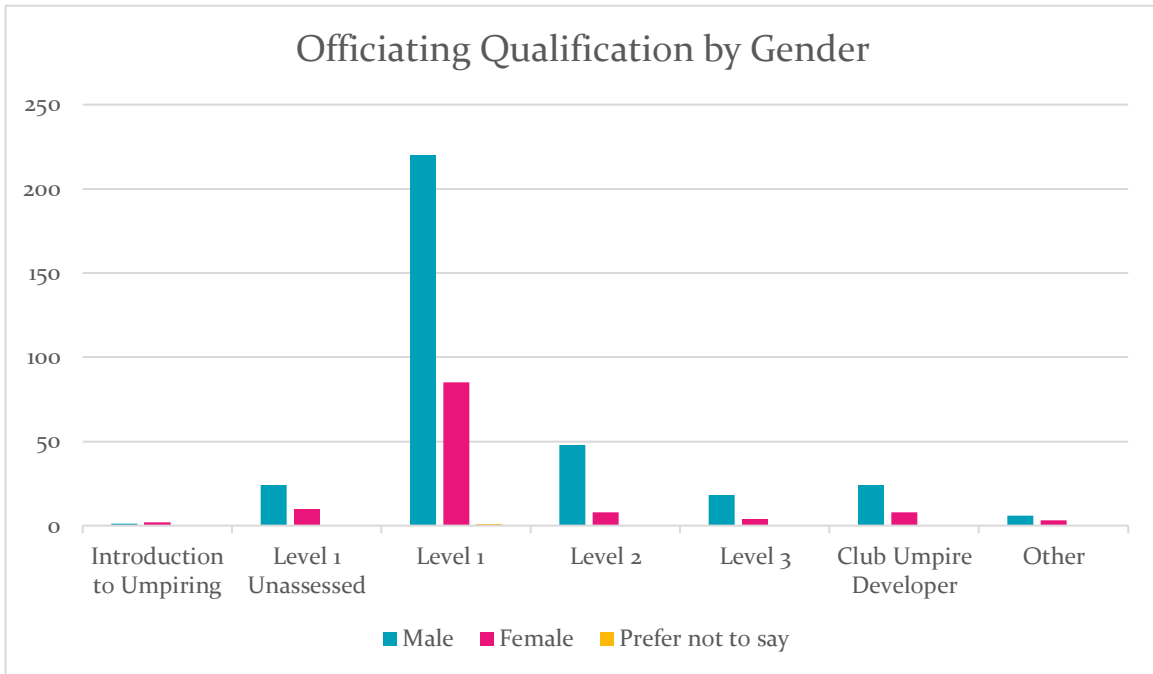


## Age & Gender Profile of Respondants

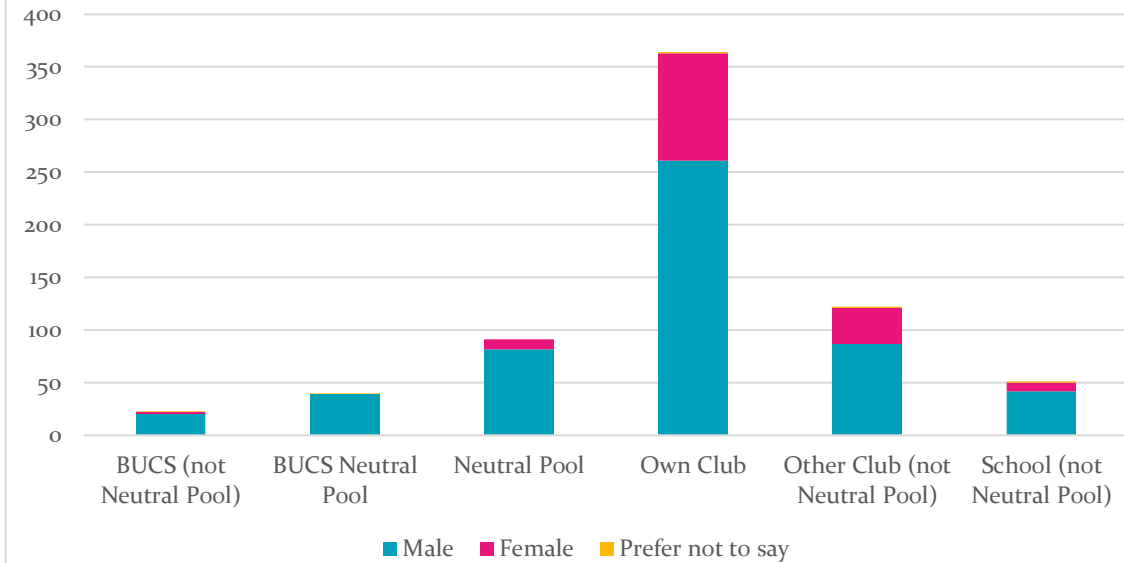


By Gender (all)	Total Number	%	In Neutral Pool (league games)	%
Female	109	25.83%	10	10.99%
Male	312	73.93%	80	87.91%
Prefer not to say	1	0.24%	1	1.10%
Totals	422	100.00%	91	100.00%

# Umpiring Specific Responses



## What matches do you umpire?



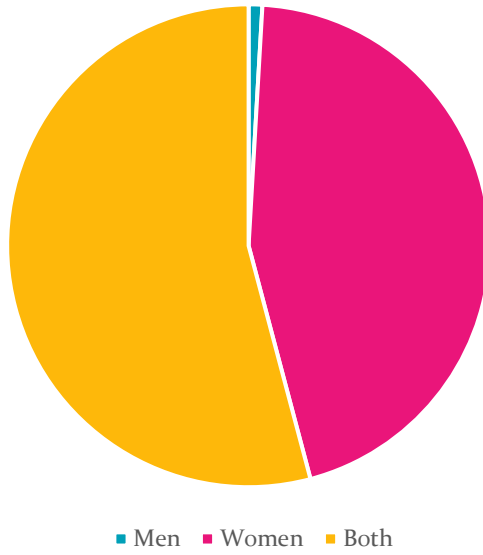
- 46% of respondents solely officiate at their own club
- 79 umpires have expressed an interest in umpiring in the Neutral Pool and these individuals are being contacted to establish more about their willingness to umpire in a pool, however travelling distance in many parts of the area is a blocker:

Distance (miles) prepared to travel	Up to 20	20-50	50-100	Over 100	Total
Female	12	2	-	-	14
Male	35	28	1	1	65
Prefer not to say	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	47	30	1	1	79

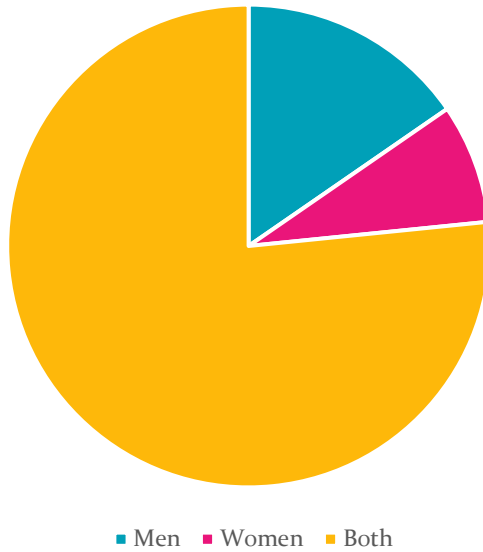
- A further 114 umpires would consider umpiring in the Neutral Pool if time, travel, fitting around playing commitments etc permitted, but again in the majority of cases travelling distance is an issue:

Distance (miles) prepared to travel	Up to 20	20-50	50-100	Over 100	Total
Female	24	8	1	1	34
Male	56	21	3	-	80
Prefer not to say	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	80	29	4	1	114

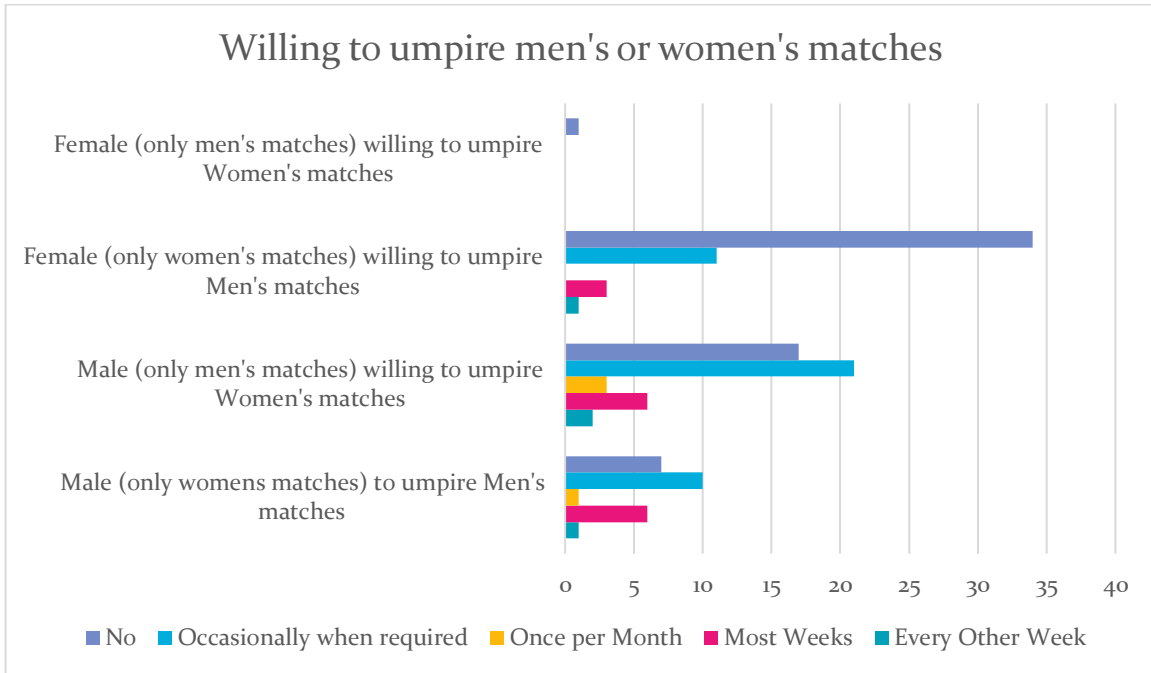
### Female Umpires - currently officiate which gender



### Male Umpires - currently officiate which gender



## Willing to umpire men's or women's matches



### L2 neutral pool umpiring women willing to umpire in men's game

Distance (miles) prepared to travel	Up to 20	20-50	50-100	Over 100	Total
Occasionally	-	1	-	-	1
Most Weeks	-	-	-	1	1
Once a month	-	-	-	-	-
Every other week	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	-	1	-	1	2

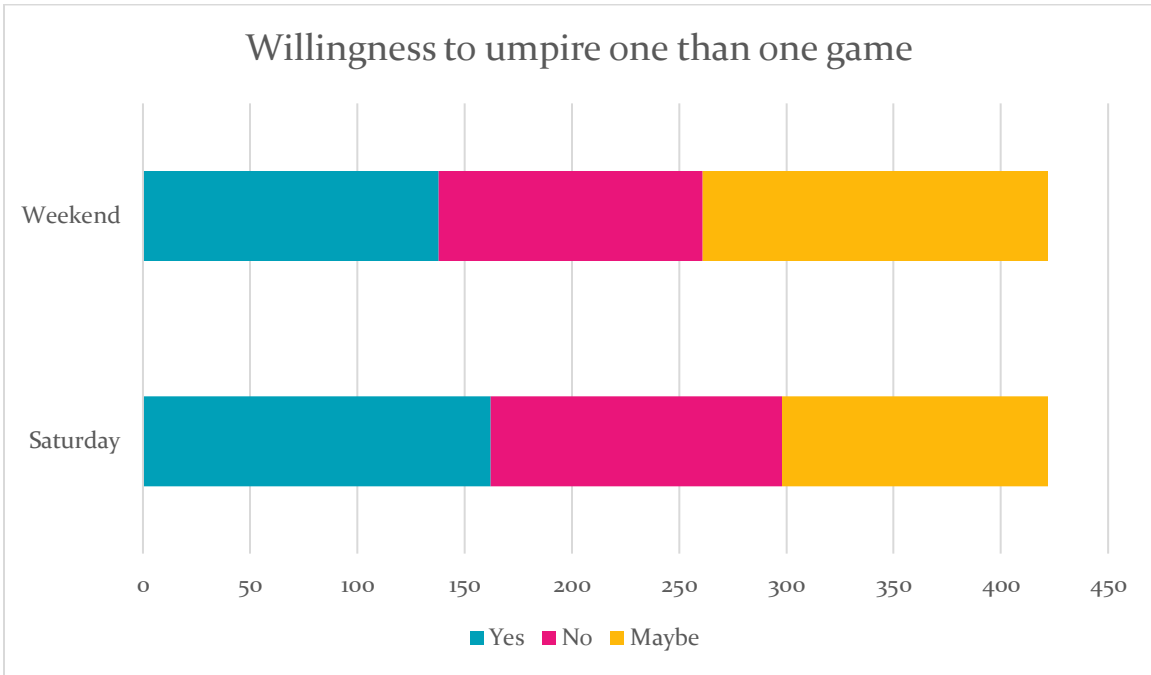
### L2 neutral pool umpiring men willing to umpire in women's game

Distance (miles) prepared to travel	Up to 20	20-50	50-100	Over 100	Total
Occasionally	1	2	-	2	5
Most Weeks	-	1	-	2	3
Once a month	-	1	-	-	1
Every other week	-	-	-	1	1
Totals	1	4	-	5	17

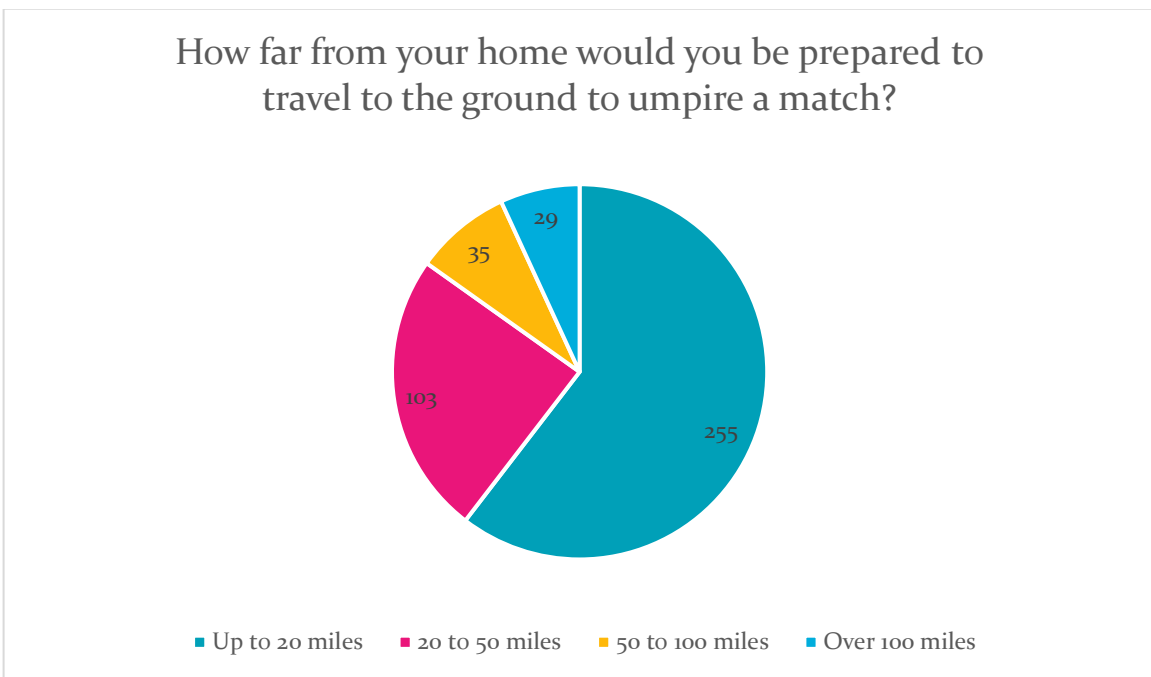
These umpires have been contacted to discuss their preferences / restrictions and information has been passed to the selection committee.

### L1 neutral pool umpiring men willing to umpire in women's game

Distance (miles) prepared to travel	Up to 20	20-50	50-100	Over 100	Total
Occasionally	1	-	-	1	2
Most Weeks	-	3	-	1	4
Once a month	-	-	-	-	-
Every other week	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	1	3	-	2	6



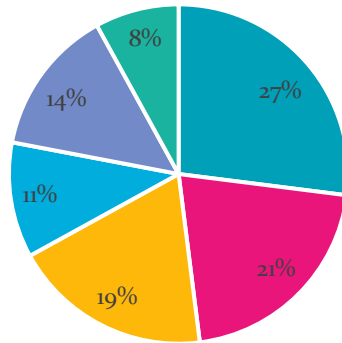
Information about availability is shown on GMS to appointers.



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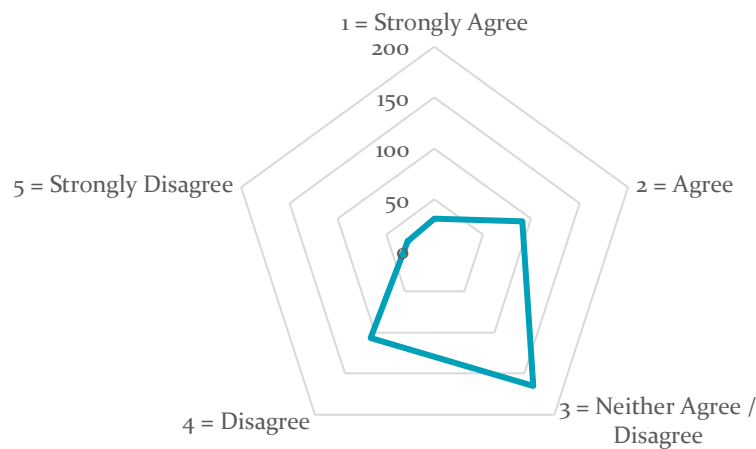


## Reasons deterring umpires from joining the West Neutral Pool

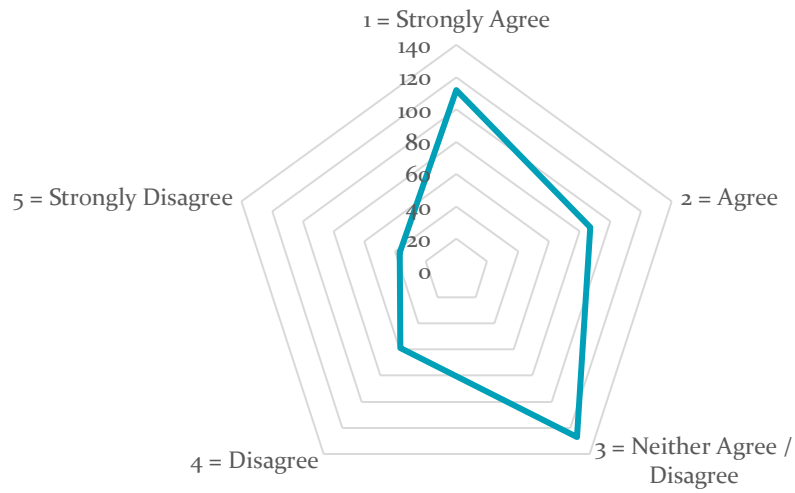


- Playing Commitments
- Family Commitments
- Travel Distances
- Allegiance to Club
- Not Interested
- Other

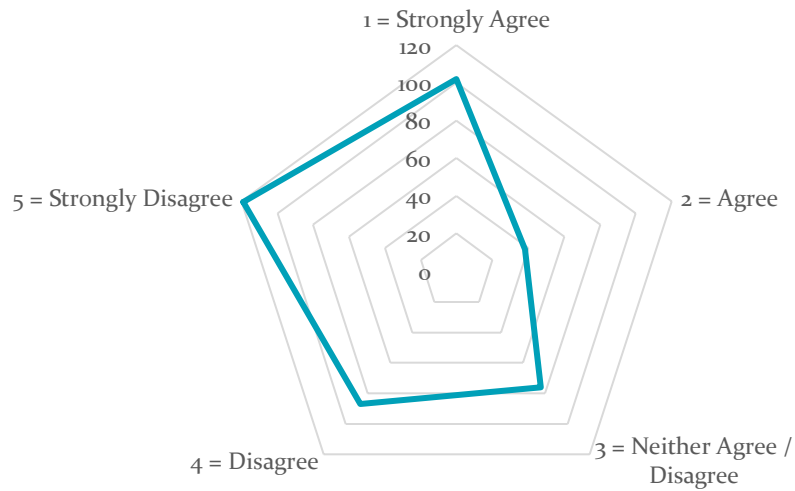
Prior to this season, I have received quality and sufficiently frequent communication from the West Officiating Committee.



I would like to occasionally umpire neutral games, but do not know how to do this.



I like to umpire but want to balance this with playing for my Club.



# I do not know how I can develop my umpiring.

