



Umpire Level of Accreditation Requirements Guidance

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The table below outlines the requirements for umpires at each Grade of competition.

	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
Level of accreditation required	Level 3	Level 2	Level 1 Assessed	Level 1 Assessed	Level 1 Unassessed
Acceptable minimum accreditation (where agreed by ALMC)	Level 2	Level 1 Assessed	Level 1 Assessed	Level 1 Unassessed	No formal accreditation required

Where an umpire holds the **"level of accreditation required"** for a specific grade (row highlighted green), they are able to officiate without requesting permission from the ALMC.

Where an umpire only holds an **"acceptable minimum accreditation"** for a specific grade (row highlighted blue), the umpire must be permitted to officiate that Grade by the ALMC. For example, a Club must request and receive written permission for a Level 1 Assessed umpire to officiate a Grade 2 fixture.

Umpire permission requests should be submitted via the [Umpire Permission Request Form](#).

Clubs should inform the [Umpire Development Lead](#) when an umpire achieves the **"level of accreditation required"** so that umpires can be removed from the permission list.

Please note that:

- Clubs may only request to take an umpire to an away fixture if that umpire is qualified to the Level of Accreditation required
- Umpires must be registered on the GMS for the Club that requests permission so that they can be added to the team sheet

ALMC Permission for Grade 2 Umpires

- In normal circumstances, umpires will be appointed to Premier Division fixtures. In instances where umpires cannot be appointed, the umpires provided by a Club must hold Level 2 accreditation. If a Club does not have a Level 2 umpire, the process above should be followed
- In some circumstances, appointed umpires may be Level 1 Assessed umpires undergoing their Level 2 assessment. These umpires have been approved by the ALMC. If a Level 1 Assessed umpire is appointed to a Premier Division fixture both Clubs will be notified
- At the start of the season Clubs with teams in Division 1 should only seek approval for umpires that will be officiating Grade 2 fixtures and not all Level 1 Assessed umpires in their Club. A maximum of 6 umpires should be nominated
- Division 1 teams will be asked to share umpire rotas to help the Officiating Committee provide coaching and development opportunities