



# Referee Handbook 2021



# Referee Role Expectations

*Referees play an important role in providing a safe and fun environment for our game to take place. Although as referees our role is seen to be all about 'refereeing' the game, it is just as much about 'coaching' the players on the court as well as setting the standard for our competitions.*

## Teamwork

- As a player you have a team, as a referee you are part of a team. Our referees together are part of our team regardless of level, it is everyone's responsibility to ensure our team is operating at our best.
- On and off the court it is important to work together to ensure all games have two referees at all times, if you see a referee missing off a court, use your initiative and fill the gap.
- Communication between periods about what needs to be improved on is how we develop as referees. Be critical of each other but also be honest with yourself in your performance and accept challenging feedback.

## Uniform

- Referees must be in the correct uniform in order to referee any scheduled games.
- Consequences of incorrect uniform could be that the referee is not paid for those games, or may be told that they cannot referee their scheduled games depending on the level of infraction.
- A referee's appearance must be tidy and professional at all times.

## Responsibility

- It is your responsibility to know when you are refereeing, not your parents. You need to be organised and on time wearing the correct uniform (See Game Day Duties).
- If you will be away on a certain date and will not be able to referee a day that you would normally be scheduled for, it is important that you let the referee coordinator know at the start of the week prior to the schedule being completed.
- It is the referee's responsibility to ensure the game is being played in a safe manner by making appropriate calls to keep players safe and that players & coaches are playing in the spirit of the game.

## Commitment/Development

- Referees will not be able to move up FBA Levels without completing the requirements set out for each level.
- Participation in additional development opportunities such as rep competitions, tournaments and clinics can speed up movement between levels.
- Some tournaments are what we call 'give back' days, such as Year 5/6 & Year 7/ Franklin Zone school tournaments, 3x3 tournaments or Special Olympics tournaments.



# Game Day Duties

## Pre-Game

- Ensure you have the correct game times as per the Referees Schedule which can be found [HERE](#)
- Arrive at the venue **15minutes** prior to the scheduled start time of the game you are refereeing.
- Assist court coordinator in setting up the score benches if not already done for first game round.
- Have a drink bottle courtside for between quarters and make sure you have gone to the bathroom to avoid going during the game.
- Ensure team manager has completed the iPad prior to the game tip off time, the court coordinator will bring the new iPad for each game.
- Add your name as the referee to the iPad.
- Ensure there are parents on the score bench, if not ask the team manager from each team to provide one.
- Have the correct size basketball ready to start the game **on time as per the schedule**. Do not wait for the teams, it is your responsibility to ensure the teams are on the court ready to go by calling them in using your whistle and your voice. Coaches talk a lot...

## During the Game

- Keep the game under control at all times to ensure the safety of the players, coaches and score bench.
- Communicate with each other clearly and in positive manner, team work is key, especially in close games.
- Communicate with players constantly to prevent violations/fouls occurring.
- Make consistent calls against both teams and ensure you rotate from lead to trail on foul calls.
- Keep an eye on the score in case there are points missed during periods of fast play as well as checking in between periods that the score bench is under control.
- Treat coaches respectfully and they will treat you respectfully back. Listen to coaches and what they have to say but it doesn't mean you act on what they say.
- Quarter and half times are only short, it is only enough time for a quick drink and team talk, do not allow these breaks to go longer than one minute.

## After the Game

- Ensure the score is correct and that both referee's names are loaded onto the iPad.
- Stand together in the center of the court to allow teams to shake your hand.
- Return the game ball to the score bench.
- Know when your next game is.
- Reflect on each game by watching the Glory League video.



# Referee Uniform

## Allocation of Gear

**Level 0-** Trainee referees are provided with a yellow t-shirt and are to wear plain black shorts.

**Level 1-** Referees are awarded with their 'Grey' shirt and FBA referee shorts.

**Level 3-** Referees are awarded with a referee hoodie

It is the referee's responsibility to ensure their uniform is kept clean and tidy, along with ensuring they wear and present themselves tidily when refereeing.

Competition	Winter	Summer
<b>Junior Club</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Black Referee shorts or black dress pants</li> <li>● Referee shirt</li> <li>● Black lanyard &amp; Fox 40 whistle</li> <li>● Black non marking sports shoes</li> <li>● Grey Referee Hoodie</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Black Referee shorts</li> <li>● Franklin Referee shirt</li> <li>● Black lanyard &amp; Fox 40 whistle</li> <li>● Black non marking sports shoes</li> </ul>
<b>Secondary Schools</b>  <b>Mid-Week Hoops</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Black dress pants</li> <li>● Franklin Referee shirt</li> <li>● Black lanyard &amp; Fox 40 whistle</li> <li>● Black non marking sports shoes</li> <li>● Grey Referees Hoodie</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Black Referee shorts</li> <li>● Franklin Referee shirt</li> <li>● Black lanyard &amp; Fox 40 whistle</li> <li>● Black non marking sports shoes</li> </ul>
<b>Representatives</b>  <b>Summer League</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Black dress pants</li> <li>● Franklin Referee shirt</li> <li>● Black lanyard &amp; Fox 40 whistle</li> <li>● Black non marking sports shoes</li> <li>● Grey Referees Hoodie</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Black dress pants</li> <li>● Franklin Referee shirt</li> <li>● Black lanyard &amp; Fox 40 whistle</li> <li>● Black non marking sports shoes</li> </ul>

# Referee Levels

The below table provides an overview of how our Franklin Referee Levels align with the Basketball New Zealand levels.

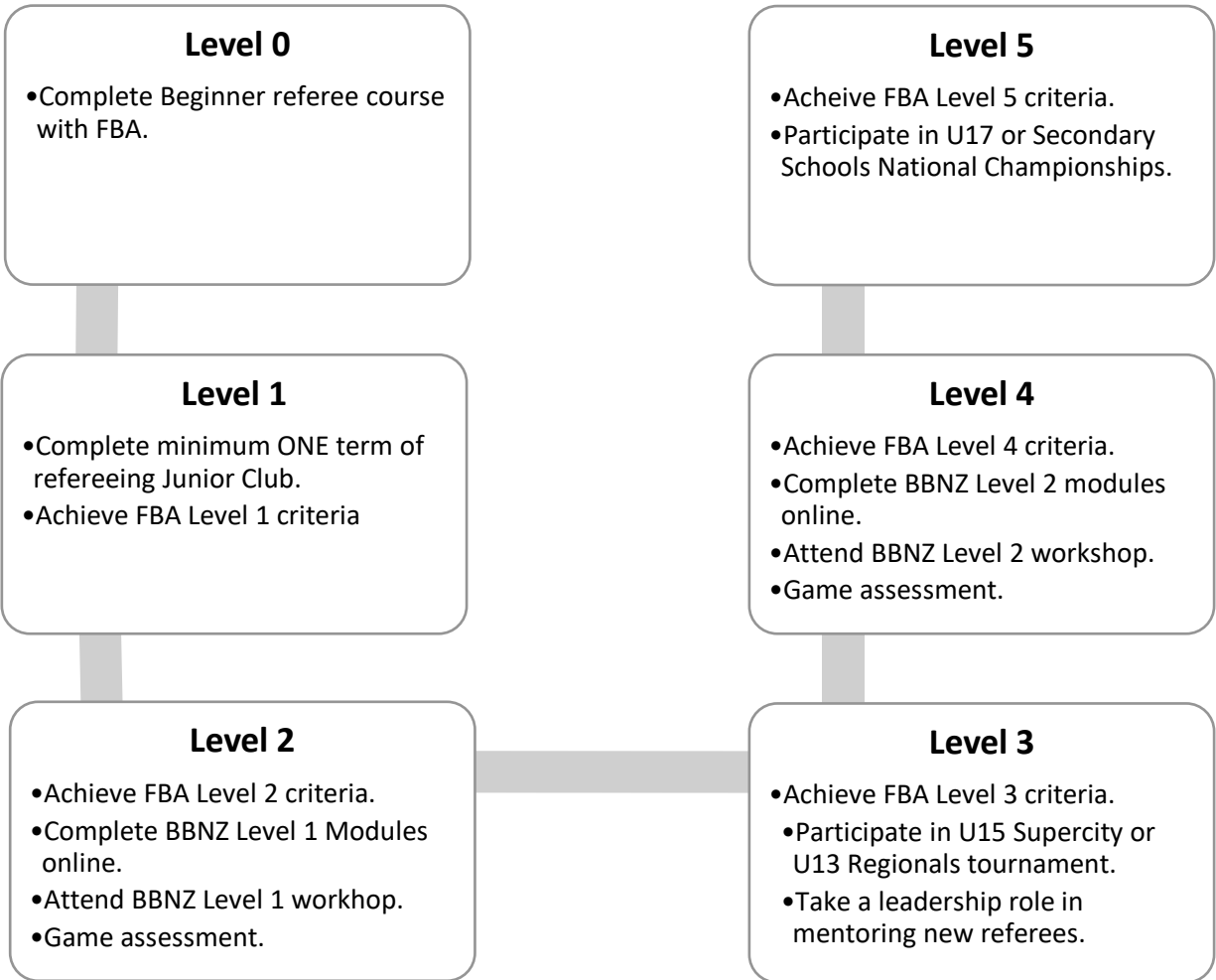
**Payrates-** The payrates shown are per hour, however the majority of local games range between 35-45mins in length. Therefore, the rate the referee is actually paid for that game would be less.

**Competency Levels-** Although a referee might referee a higher level of competition, this does not necessarily mean they are or should be that particular level.

BBNZ Level	Franklin Level	Pay Rate Per/Hr	Competency Levels		
			FBA Competitions	Regional Competitions	National Competitions
N/A	0	\$0	Junior Club 7U – 9U		
	1	\$8	Junior Club 11U - 14U		
Level 1	2	\$10	Junior Club 11U - 14U Secondary Schools Jnrs Mid-Week Hoops C Grades	13U Supercity	
	3	\$12	Secondary Schools Snrs Mid-Week Hoops B Grades	15U Supercity	13U Zone 1 Regionals
Level 2	4	\$14	Secondary Schools Snrs Mid-Week Hoops A Grades	17U Supercity	15U Nationals SS Junior Premierships
	5	\$16	Secondary Schools Snrs Mid-Week Hoops A Grades	19U Supercity	17U Nationals
Level 3	6	\$20	Secondary Schools Snrs Mid-Week Hoops A Grades	19U Supercity	19U Nationals SS Senior Premierships
	7	\$25.00			

# Levels Requirements

Below are the requirements for level within the Franklin Basketball Referee pathway. The BBNZ referee levels fit into our levels and to reach certain FBA levels there are requirements to complete BBNZ level requirements. Overall attitude and commitment are also factors taken into consideration when determining whether a referee is ready to be levelled up.



# Development Opportunities

## **Basketball Pacific Jamboree**

This is an U12 event where players and referees head to a three-day training camp with players and referees from other associations. Referees attend theory & practical clinics and then referee the tournament play at the end of the weekend putting into practice what they have learnt.

## **Basketball Pacific Easter Tournament**

Each year FBA takes age group representative teams away to the Mel Young Easter Tournament and for every team that we take we are required to send one referee. Our referees are part of our travelling team for Easter, travelling and staying with our representative teams. Food and accommodation are provided by FBA, referees are also paid by Basketball Pacific for each game they referee.

Players can also be referees, there is a just a bit more juggling with the scheduling and ideally it would be half the amount of games.

## **Zone 1 Supercity (Reps)**

Depending on the age group of the competition, referees who are Level 1 and above may be asked to be involved in refereeing these competitions. This involves Saturdays and some travel to other venues around Auckland such as EventFinda Stadium (North Shore) and Bruce Pulman. These are generally stop clock games and the quality of play and expectation on referees is higher as this is representative level.

## **U13 Regionals**

This is a representative level tournament which is held for representative teams around Zone 1 (Auckland & Northland). We select one referee per team we enter for the tournament. Selection is based on performance and commitment throughout the year. Accommodation and transport if required is covered by FBA, referees are not paid per game by BBNZ but there may be a small koha from FBA.

## **U15/U17/U19 Nationals/Secondary School Nationals**

Teams are only able to attend these tournaments if they have qualified through a zonal qualifying tournament so these teams are the best in the country. Referees who wish to attend are asked complete the EOI a few months out from tournament and then from here are selected based on experience.

Food, accommodation and transport during these tournaments is covered by BBNZ and all communication comes directly from BBNZ.

Referees attending these tournaments are now recognised as being part of the national referee pathway.



# Payments

## Termly Franklin Payments

At the end of each term payments are made directly to referee's bank accounts. Ensuring all the games recorded are correct and checking figures does take some time so payments are generally made the following after the last competition night.

This process for our administration team is made quicker and easier when referees ensure they complete their task of adding their name to the iPad for each game they referee.

Termly Pay Rate Table							
BBNZ Referee Levels	FBA LEVEL	HOURLY RATE	30mins	35mins Jnr Club	45mins SS	45mins MWH	60mins
Not Applicable	0	\$0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	1	\$8.00	\$4.00	\$4.67	\$6.00	N/A	N/A
BBNZ Level 1	2	\$10.00	\$5.00	\$5.83	\$7.50	\$10.00	\$10.00
	3	\$12.00	\$6.00	\$7.00	\$9.00	\$12.00	\$12.00
BBNZ Level 2	4	\$14.00	\$7.00	\$8.16	\$10.50	\$14.00	\$14.00
	5	\$16.00	\$8.00	\$9.33	\$12.00	\$16.00	\$16.00
BBNZ Level 3	6	\$20.00	\$10.00	\$11.67	\$15.00	\$20.00	\$20.00
	7	\$25.00	N/A	N/A	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00

## Representative Competitions

Referees who take part in refereeing representative competitions such as Supercity will generally be paid by the Association who hosting this may vary in terms of when payments are made but generally are paid the following week.

## Basketball New Zealand Tournaments

Referees are not paid to attend BBNZ tournaments. This includes 13U Regionals, 15U/17U & 19U Nationals, as well as Secondary School Junior & Senior Premierships. If selected for a national championship tournament the referee's accommodation, food and transport are generally covered by BBNZ.





# Notes