



SACE Community Learning

UMPIRING

In accordance with SACE Community Learning, SANFL has recognised Community Development programs which allow students the opportunity to achieve 10 SACE Credits at Stage 1.

Recognised programs include:

- Development Field Umpire
- Development Boundary Umpire
- Development Goal Umpire

Students will require support from their school to sign off on their application once they have completed the requirements of the program so you should let your school SACE coordinator know of your intention to participate before progressing further.

To complete the recognised programs, students need to meet the following criteria which SANFL Umpiring staff can assist with as needed.

- **Register on Officials HQ**

You are required to register as an umpire on Officials HQ (OHQ) which is completely free and takes 5 to 10 minutes. Please Start the registration process here: <https://registration.officialshq.com/> and complete. If you have previously already registered an Officials HQ account you can skip this step.

- **Complete the Online AFL First Bounce Course and provide certificate of completion.**

The AFL First Bounce Certificate is a 30-60 minute FREE online course, providing an introduction to umpiring. We ask everyone to complete this, even if you have been umpiring for several years. To complete the Umpire AFL First Bounce Certificate, Log back into your Officials HQ account that you have registered as above at <https://home.refassist.com/>, click on the image in the top right corner then 'account' in the drop down box > then click 'connected accounts' on the left hand side, 'get e-learning link' then 'Go to e-learning platform' > once on the homepage click on the 'umpire tab' . then click 'First Bounce certificate' as show in the picture below. Follow the prompts to complete the course

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Upon completion of the course you will be able to access a certificate as per the below which should be included as part of your final submission.



- Practical Application

Approved SACE programs that award 10 SACE credits should be the time equivalent of studying one topic at Stage 1 (approximately 75 hours+). To complete this program, there is not a set amount of games or trainings required to attend, however SANFL Umpiring will only sign off on students who have demonstrated a commitment to umpiring across games and/or training throughout the year in your chosen discipline.

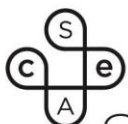
- Game Day Observation

Students need to be observed in a match day environment at least once throughout the year and marked as competent in understanding their role as an umpire by an approved Umpiring Coach, mentor or Coordinator in line with the Learning requirements checklist for your chosen discipline. The assessor must sign off using the below check list which is to be submitted to SANFL Juniors umpiring

[Development Field Competency Check List](#)

[Development Boundary Competency Check List](#)

[Development Goal Competency Check List](#)



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- **Complete a Critical Thinking Reflection**

Towards the conclusion of their season, students need to complete a critical thinking reflection by either using the following template and submitting your written answers to SANFL Umpiring or by completing an in person or phone interview with your teacher, or SANFL Umpiring who must provide evidence and sign off on your reflection using the below template

[Reflection and Critical Thinking Template](#)
[Critical thinking reflection record of evidence](#)

- **Application / Completion**

Please email sanfljuniorsumpiring@sanfl.com.au with your evidence of fulfilling the above criteria including:

- First Bounce certificate
- Completed Game Day Observation check list
- Completed Reflection & Critical thinking template

Upon submission of your evidence, provided SANFL Umpiring is satisfied with your commitment to umpiring, you will be emailed a certificate of completion outlining that you have fulfilled all requirements of the program.

Once you receive your certificate, you will need to complete a Recognition application form with your school to be submitted to the SACE board to obtain your SACE credits. (This form will be emailed to you when we email through your certificate of completion.)

If you have any questions or need assistance arranging an assessor for your match day observation, please email sanfljuniorsumpiring@sanfl.com.au or call 8440 6934

