

Netball WA

Community Umpire Achievement Award

Purpose

The Netball WA (NWA) Umpire Achievement Award recognises the outstanding performance and contribution community umpires and umpire coaches make to developing umpires and other umpire coaches within Western Australia.

Service Period

The Award is for service during the **2025 calendar year**.

Selection Criteria

The nominee for the Award must meet the following criteria:

1. Is a current registered member of NWA in the year nominated for.
2. Made a sustained contribution over the 12-month period.
3. Conduct themselves on and off the court in a professional, considerate manner exhibiting positive behaviours by:
 - a. Developing mutually respectful relationships with coaches, umpires, players, parents, and other officials.
 - b. Representing their Association, upholding the integrity of the sport, operating within the rules and the spirit of the game, and encouraging umpires and umpire coaches to do the same.
4. Demonstrated improved performance, displaying sound knowledge and competency of the game through their understanding of rules, needs of umpires and umpire coaching philosophy by:
 - a. Improving the standard of their umpiring through ongoing personal development, education, and mentoring.
 - b. Contributing to the development and improved performance of umpires in a coaching role.
5. Contributed to their Association and Netball WA by:
 - a. Assisting in the development and mentoring of umpires.
 - b. Presenting umpire courses and workshops.

Nomination Process

- Each Association may nominate one candidate for this Award.
- Nominations will only be accepted through the official nomination form. Incomplete/late nominations will not be accepted.
- A picture of the nominee is to be uploaded with the nomination.
- It is the responsibility of the Nominating Association Representative to ensure that all information has been submitted.

Nominations are to be submitted through the [Netball WA Umpire Achievement Award Nomination Form](#)

CLOSING DATE: Monday 20 April 2026 – 9:00am

Award Selection Panel

The selection panel will consist of, but not limited to, the following Netball WA personnel, Pathway Manager, Technical Officials Lead and Community Officials Lead. In the event that any of the above members are unavailable NWA has the right to appoint another suitable representative to the selection panel.

Selection Process

- The Selection Panel will review all nominations received to ensure the nominations meet the criteria and send the recommendations to NWA General Manager – Community for ratification.
- Selection process will be completed within 2 weeks from application closing date.
- Upon ratification, confirmation of the Umpire Achievement Award recipient will be forwarded to the Association. The Association is to keep the information confidential until the presentation has been made to the recipient.
- Netball WA's selection process & decision is final.

Award Presentation

Presentation of this Award will be at the Fuel to Go and Play Association Championships Closing Ceremony on the long weekend in June.

NWA will liaise with the relevant Association to arrange for the Award recipient to attend the Fuel to Go & Play Association Championships Closing Ceremony, where possible without the knowledge they are receiving an Award.



PRINCIPAL PARTNER



NWA are not liable for any expenses associated with travel, accommodation, or attendance of the recipient.

Further Information

For further information or queries please contact **Jo Smith NWA Stakeholder Manager** on **9380 3710** or email stakeholder.manager@netballwa.com.au