

(Approved at the VBRA November 2013 Board Meeting)

DOMESTIC REFEREE UNIFORM

This policy applies only to referees in domestic competitions. The uniform for all representative competitions shall be prescribed by the competition and all referees in that competition will be required to abide by that competition's uniform rules.

All branches shall adopt the approved VBRA uniform, which is identical to the FIBA uniform except that a black-and-white striped shirt replaces the FIBA shirt with a VBRA badge on the upper-left front of the shirt (i.e. where a pocket would normally be).

The referee uniform therefore consists of black trousers & black belt, black & white referee top (including the VBRA badge), black socks & black runners.

Referees may wear a wristwatch if no suitable game clock is available.

For referees graded level 1B and below, a branch may approve the use of other sporting shoes as an alternative to black shoes.

Branches may apply and receive formal approval from the VBRA for exemptions (for example, a different coloured shirt) for their main competition or local-league only. This approval should not be automatic & be approved or denied on a case by case basis.

In winter (non-daylight-saving period) a suitable warm top approved by the branch may be used.

In summer, (daylight-saving period) proper black sports shorts may replace trousers.

Full uniform (no shorts or no extra tops) must be worn for all domestic finals.

The Official FIBA Rule Book, states, "Officials are to be professional in their appearance, on and off the court."

To keep in line with the regulations by FIBA the following are not permitted, "headgear, hair accessories and jewellery". Basketball Australia believes that the referees must conform to the same requirements as players.

To assist with maintaining integrity and consistency, referees must lead by example when it comes to dealing with uniforms and equipment.