

# Overview

## Northern Suburbs Basketball Association

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The Northern Suburbs Basketball Association Referees program is one of the most progressive and innovative in Australian basketball, with our referees officiating in more than 6000 games in the local competition each year. The NSBA has a strong commitment to the provision of quality referees for all games played here at Norths and invests significantly in the ongoing education and development of the 167 officials we have actively involved in the association.

One of the key goals of the NSBA is to provide two referees to all junior and senior local competition fixtures and this is a commitment that has seen in excess of 98% of games covered by two referees in 2015.

In addition to the 6000 local competition games, our Norths referees officiate in senior and junior representative leagues conducted by Basketball NSW and we currently have two FIBA accredited officials who referee at major international events. We have more than 40 officials on the BNSW Metropolitan Junior League panel, along with nine officials who referee in the BNSW Waratah Leagues throughout the metropolitan area each week of the senior representative season.

As well as the referees, the NSBA has a strong commitment to supporting and developing our score-bench officials and statisticians and the association is one of the leaders in NSW in these important areas of the sport. Norths officials are actively involved in BNSW representative leagues, as well as the elite WNBL and NBL and there is ongoing training provided to ensure there is a pathway for all our technical officials. The NSBA operates full "LiveStats" on our Premier Men's and Women's competitions and this is used as a key training environment for the ongoing development of statisticians within the association.

To ensure we continue to offer quality officiating and technical officials for all games played at the association, the NSBA provides ongoing training, courses and professional development events throughout the year. These courses include introductory courses for entry level officials, right through to providing courses for our more experienced and aspiring referees, score-table officials and statisticians. As part of this development and training ethos, the NSBA has established a "Referee Coaching Panel" and this panel provides ongoing mentoring, support and education to officials at all levels of the association.

For more information on the NSBA Referees Program or to find out how to get involved in officiating, contact the NSBA Referee Development Manager at [referees@nsba.com.au](mailto:referees@nsba.com.au) or call the office on 02 9906 7877

