



SHOALHAVEN BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION REFEREES TRAVEL ASSISTANCE POLICY

This policy supports representative referees by compensating some of their travel and accommodation costs.

To ensure adequate referee coverage, SBA teams may only participate in basketball tournaments and events where a sufficient number of referees are available. The number of referees needed depends on the number of participating teams. Each team contributes a levy toward referee travel and accommodation expenses, forming the Budgeted Event Travel Allowance.

Eligibility and Reimbursement Guidelines:

1. The Budgeted Event Travel Allowance will be divided among Rostered Referees attending each event, based on the Scheduled Reimbursement amounts listed in Point 3. In exceptional cases, the SBA Board may approve payments outside of the standard reimbursement schedule.
2. Rostered Referees are those assigned to a participating team by the Referee Development Officer (RDO) to represent SBA at an Approved Event.
3. Rostered Referees attending Approved Events are eligible for travel assistance (Scheduled Reimbursement) as follows:
 - **SJL Albury / Wagga Wagga:** \$160 per night (up to 2 nights)
 - **SJL Canberra:** \$160 per night (up to 2 nights)
 - **SJL Illawarra:** \$50 per event day
 - **John Martin Country Tournament:** \$160 per night (up to 3 nights)
 - **Single-day or multi-day events** (within 1 hour of Shoalhaven Indoor Sports Centre) – e.g., Barrengarry - Moss Vale, Berkeley, Milton, JMCT at Berkeley or Beaton Park: \$50 per event day

- **Single-day or multi-day events** (more than 1 hour from Shoalhaven Indoor Sports Centre) – e.g., Barrengarry - Goulburn, Wollondilly: \$80 per event day
4. Approved Events include, but are not limited to: SJL, John Martin Country Tournament, State Cup, and Barrengarry.
 5. Referees must report event attendance and the number of games officiated to the RDO within two days of the event's conclusion. If not reported in time, the RDO will rely on the roster information provided by the event organiser.
 6. The RDO will aim to submit travel reimbursement requests to the SBA office within five working days of the event's end, so payments can be processed promptly.
 7. While SBA supports player development through refereeing opportunities, players will not be eligible for travel allowances unless their refereeing is required to meet SBA's event obligations.

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