

SHOALHAVEN BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION REFEREES TRAVEL ASSISTANCE POLICY

The **Referees Travel Assistance Policy** compensates representative referees for the cost of travel and accommodation.

SBA teams can only participate in basketball tournaments and events with adequate referee coverage. The number of referees required for each tournament or event varies depending on the number of teams participating. Participating teams pay a levy towards referee travel and accommodation, which forms the **Budgeted Event Travel Allowance**.

SBA referees attending **Approved Events** are entitled to travel assistance in accordance with this policy, as follows:

- 1. Each event's **Budgeted Event Travel Allowance** will be distributed equally amongst attending **Rostered Referees**, provided the allocation doesn't exceed the **Scheduled Reimbursement**. The Referee Development Officer (RDO) may vary the allocation in exceptional circumstances.
- 2. **Rostered Referees** are those the RDO has assigned to represent SBA at an **Approved Event**.
- 3. **Rostered Referees** who travel to **Approved Events** will be entitled to receive travel assistance (**Scheduled Reimbursement**) up to the following amounts:
 - SJL Albury \$160 per night (maximum of 3 nights);
 - SJL Canberra \$160 per night (maximum of 2 nights);
 - SJL Illawarra –\$80 flat rate;
 - John Martin Country Tournament \$160 per night (maximum of 3 nights);
 - Single Day events or multiple-day events (no accommodation is required, and travel is more than 50km from Shoalhaven Indoor Sports Centre) - i.e. Barrengarry - Moss Vale, Goulburn, Berkeley or JMCT at Berkeley or Beaton Park, etc.) - \$80 per event day.
- 4. **Approved Events** include but are not limited to SJL, John Martin Country Tournament, State Cup and Barrengarry.
- 5. Following an **Approved Event**, referees must report the event and the number of games they officiated to the RDO within two days of its conclusion. Failing this, the RDO will utilise roster information provided by the event organiser.

- 6. The RDO will endeavour to submit a travel reimbursement request to the SBA office within 5 working days of an event's conclusion so that the travel assistance payment can be processed and paid.
- 7. While SBA endeavours to provide players with refereeing opportunities, players will be excluded from the allocation of travel allowances, except where a player is required to referee to meet SBA's event obligations.

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