## SUNSHINE COAST FOOTBALL COMPETITION RULES

## **APPENDIX K**

## **GROUND OFFICIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

Below is a list of instructions and responsibilities, which are to be followed closely by all clubs with regard to the appointment of Ground Officials for all home days.

- 1. All clubs are required to appoint a designated Ground Official/s for each game.
- 2. All Ground Officials must be eighteen (18) years of age or older.
- 3. The Ground Official must wear an official Ground Official shirt.
- 4. The Ground Official is required to make themselves known to the referees. It is suggested that the name/s of the Ground Official be displayed in a conspicuous place in the Referees dressing room.
- 5. The Ground Official is required to patrol all fields being used throughout the day.
- 6. The Ground Official must ensure that spectators are not in a prohibited area (i.e. too close to the sidelines, behind goals, near or on player benches etc).
- 7. It is the responsibility of the appointed Ground Official to ensure that assistant referees have been appointed by the club for games where no official referees are appointed or arrive.
- 8. The Ground Official is to ensure that spectators behaviour is acceptable (no foul language, abusive comments etc.).
- 9. The Ground Official will ensure referee officials are escorted (if required) onto and from the field of play.
- 10. In general the Ground Official should act as Clerk of the Course. They should NOT be involved in any other duties whilst acting in this capacity (not refereeing, coaching, canteen or bar duties etc) They should work closely with the appointed referees to ensure that the day's activities are completed in the best possible atmosphere for player, spectators, coaches, officials and referees.

Also refer Competition Rules re: Ground Officials duties