



**NORTHERN NSW  
FOOTBALL**

# NNSWF Referee Talent Pool

The NNSWF Referee Talent Pool is an advanced training program for talented match officials throughout the state. This is the second step along the referee development pathway offered by NNSWF.

The best performing referees from the NNSWF Youth Referees Academy will progress into the NNSWF Referee Talent Pool, where match officials enter a competitive selection process to referee at the FFA National Youth Championships each year.

The members of the NNSWF Referee Talent Pool will receive during the year interactive education and development sessions to help build their knowledge and skills. The NNSWF Referee Talent Pool Coach will provide the referees in the Talent Pool with regular coaching and mentoring to improve their officiating.

Referees who graduate from the NNSWF Referee Talent Pool will also be eligible for nomination into the FFA National Talent Pool which opens the doorway to selection on Westfield W-League, National Youth League & Hyundai A-League referee panels in future years.



<b>Selection</b>	NNSWF will select officials to the referee talent pool from graduates of the Youth Referee Academy program.
<b>Cost</b>	The program is free, there are no costs involved in this program.
<b>Benefits of the program</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Education sessions with the NNSWF Referee Talent Pool Coach and other leading referees, assessors and instructors</li> <li>• Interactive education and development sessions to help build knowledge and skills</li> <li>• Recognition as some of NNSWF’s most talented match officials and being on the pathway to selection for the FFA National Talent Pool</li> <li>• Being in the pool from which NNSWF chooses its representatives to officiate at FFA National Youth Championships</li> <li>• The referees selected to officiate at the FFA National Youth Championships will receive further training and coaching in order to prepare them for optimal performance at the championships</li> </ul>