



Australian Curling Federation

Officiating Pathway Document

Two levels of officiating in Australia – as determined by the World Curling Federation

Basic Umpire

This course is suitable for those wishing to get involved in umpiring and officiating nationally and/or internationally or simply to learn the rules of curling in depth. It is offered yearly by an instructor of the World Curling Federation and can be completed in 16 hours. A certificate upon completion will be awarded.

The course will cover the following topics:

- Rules of the game explained.
- Tasks and responsibilities of the different Umpire functions.
- Practical work on ice.

Advanced Umpire

This course is suitable for those who have participated in the WCF Basic Umpire Course or a similar course and who have worked at a minimum of five events as an Umpire in Australia or internationally. A certificate upon completion will be awarded.

The program includes a rules update, application of rules to situations, working with coaches and media. Tasks and duties of the Chief-Timer, Deputy-Chief Umpire and Chief Umpire are discussed. Basic to the course is the WCF Chief Umpire Manual which is used for much of the group work.