



## CADET REFEREE POLICY

Budgewoi Football Club has the following policy in place for their “Cadet Referees”.

All our coaches, managers, parents/carers and supporters at Budgewoi Football Club including visiting clubs are to abide by this policy whilst our Cadet Referees are referring their games.

- Budgewoi Football Club has a “zero tolerance” stance for physical or verbal abuse to our Cadet Referees.
- Cadet Referees if verbally or physically feel threatened by a home or visiting team will stop the game, pick up the game ball and return to the official table for assistance.
- If our cadets and volunteers are targeted the less likely they will make themselves available, this will result in having no officials and the job falling on a parent or spectator.
- A Ground Official is the first point for matters that relate to our Cadet Referees at the official desk.

If you have an issue, by all means address it, but do it correctly and via the correct means. If you have any issue please approach the official table at the venue and discuss the issue calmly with an official.

- Our cadet refs are juniors themselves and are learning just as the players are learning, it is totally unacceptable for anyone to approach a cadet ref and argue with them. This will NOT be tolerated by the Club. Please be mindful that when you are coaching or managing, you are a representative of this club and all that it stands for. Ultimately it is about kids playing sport and enjoying themselves not all about winning and losing.