

TENNIS AUSTRALIA OFFICIATING UNIFORM GUIDELINES

- 1. The following uniform guidelines apply to all officials:
 - a. when officiating at Tennis Australia (**TA**) tennis events, except where an official has been provided an event specific uniform; and
 - b. when acting in any other capacity as a TA official.
- 2. Officials are only permitted to wear the items listed below and must adhere to the uniform guidelines below and as set out in Attachment 1 at all times (note NB refers to New Balance):
 - a. NB/TA Officials ¹/₄ zip
 - b. NB/TA Referee Polo
 - c. NB/TA Officials Jacket and/or Vest (optional)
 - d. NB/TA Officials Hat or Cap (required). We recommend all officials wear the broad-brimmed hat when exposed to the sun. Line umpires must wear the broad-brimmed hat at all times, except for the following circumstances where caps are allowed:
 - i. Indoor tournaments
 - ii. Night matches
 - iii. Considerably windy weather
 - e. Neutral or plain coloured tennis shoes or sneakers. No Fluro colours.
- 3. The following uniform guidelines also apply:
 - a. Navy full length non-branded pants or shorts must be worn. These should be trousers and NOT cargo pants or denim jeans.
 - b. Any accessories, jewellery or tattoos should be kept to a minimum and not be noticeable.
 - c. Any underlayers worn to be same as base colour, skin colour or not visible.
 - d. Any beanies must be navy blue or black, plain (no patterns).
 - e. Any gloves worn must be navy blue or black, plain (no patterns).
 - f. Any scarves worn must be navy blue or black, plain (no patterns).
 - g. All uniform items are expected to be clean, neat, and presentable, projecting a professional image. It is up to the individual to ensure that their full uniform is maintained and if necessary, replaced when required.
 - h. Officials are not to make any alterations to any uniform items provided by TA.
- 4. Additional uniform items can be purchased online by following the prompts on our Member's FAQs page.
- 5. In addition, TA strongly recommends the use of additional sun smart products to protect their officials.



This includes the use of sunscreen and wearing of sunglasses. Any skin protection clothing to be skin colour tones, barely visible. Any additional individual uniform requirements please contact officiating@tennis.com.au for support and approval.

- 6. Any official not adhering with the above guidelines may be refused work.
- 7. Officials should never wear a uniform when consuming alcohol, purchasing alcohol or any activity deemed unprofessional/breach of code for officials.
- 8. We recognise and accommodate religious and cultural dress requirements, for any items not already covered in the uniform guidelines, please contact us at <u>officiating@tennis.com.au</u> for guidance and clarification.
- 9. Officials are not allowed to use the TA logo on any other items, uniform or otherwise, without the express permission of TA.
- 10. If at any time your officiating membership is provisionally suspended, cancelled, or not renewed, you must stop wearing the TA-branded uniform.
- 11. Items with a TA logo can be given to charity. If you wish to recycle your uniforms, please contact us at officiating@tennis.com.au first.
- 12. Competition Assistants will not wear TA uniform. Smart sport attire to be worn whilst volunteering. A hat and tennis shoes recommended.

TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

These uniform guidelines apply on and from 10 May 2024. However, the old officiating uniform may be worn for the below transitional periods. After these dates, only uniforms that comply with these guidelines can be worn.

Transitional periods:

- 1. National/Performance level (Junior Nationals, ITF events, UTR Pro Tennis events, Pro Tour) effective 1 November 2024.
- 2. Competitive Play level (all non-National or Performance level events) effective 1 February 2025.



ATTACHMENT 1 - SUMMARY OF GUIDELINES

Uniform Item	Guidelines
Pants	Colour: Navy blue Style: Trousers (tailored or chino) Length: full-length, ankle length & ¾ length acceptable Material: choice, consider weather No large manufacturer logos AO Ralph Lauren navy blue pants are allowed Not allowed: Denim jeans, tracksuit pants. Cargo style, multiple pockets, drawstrings
Shorts	Colour: Navy blue Style: smart casual, tailored or chino shorts (e.g. approved golf shorts) Length: knee length <i>Not allowed</i> : large manufacturer logos, denim, cargo style or drawstrings
Serve The Game Polo	Colour: Navy blue Worn by Referees, Chief Umpires and appointed Coaches only
Caps	Officials/Chief Umpires/Coaches – Royal blue Referees – Navy blue Line umpires – nighttime, indoor or windy conditions. Determined by Referee/Chief Umpire at the event Line umpires – should be wearing brimmed hats unless otherwise advised
Broadbrim hats	Officials – Royal blue band Referees – Navy blue band SunSmart – recommended to all officials when exposed to the sun Line umpires – should be wearing brimmed hats unless otherwise advised



Uniform Item	Guidelines
Gloves / Beanies / Scarves	Navy blue or black, plain (no patterns) No large manufacturer logo
Shoes	Neutral or plain coloured tennis shoes or sneakers. No Fluro colours Not allowed – sandals, thongs, any shoe other than a sports shoe
Professional presentation	Jewellery/accessories/tattoos: Kept to a minimum and not noticeable All official's hair must be kept clean, neat and tidy Officials are not to make any alterations to uniform items provided by TA Official or Serve the Game polo tucked in – highly recommended Belt – highly recommended Underlayers – navy blue, skin colour, plain pattern or not visible Uniform Condition – clean, neat, intact and professional image always Official should never wear a uniform when consuming alcohol, purchasing alcohol or any activity deemed unprofessional/breach of code for officials



VISUAL EXAMPLE



EXAMPLE REFERENCE LINKS FOR PANTS & SHORTS

Note: Officials can choose where to purchase pants and shorts. The below links are examples that can be used as a guide.

Men's UA Drive Shorts | Under Armour AU Women's UA Links Pants | Under Armour AU SLIM FIT CHINO PANTS | UNIQLO AU STRETCH SLIM FIT SHORTS | UNIQLO AU WOMEN'S SMART ANKLE PANTS | UNIQLO AU High Waist Slim Tapered Ankle Pants - Preview - French Navy Blue | Target Australia



SIZE CHART

Unisex Jacket	XS	S	М	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL
Chest Front (cms)	57.5	60	62.5	65	67.5	70	72.5	75
Length Front (cms)	73	75	77	79	81	83	85	87
Mens Vest	XS	S	М	L.	XL	2XL	3XL	
Chest Front (cms)	52	54.5	57	59.5	62	64.5	67	
Length Front (cms)	72	74	76	78	80	82	84.8	
Womens Vest	XS (8)	S (10)	M (12)	L (14)	XL (16)	2XL (18)	3XL (20)	4XL (22
Chest Front (cms)	49.5	52	54.5	57	59.5	62	64.5	67
Length Front (cms)	63	65	67	69	71	73	75	77
Unisex Quarter Zip	XS	S	М	L.	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL
Chest Front (cms)	46.5	49	51.5	54	56.5	59	61.5	64
Length Front (cms)	68	70	72	74	76	78	80	82
Mens Referee Polo	XS	S	Μ	- L -	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL
Chest Front (cms)	48.5	51	53.5	56	58.5	61	63.5	66
Length Front (cms)	70	72	74	76	78	80	82	84
Womens Referee Polo	XS (8)	S (10)	M (12)	L (14)	XL (16)	2XL (18)	3XL (20)	4XL (22
Chest Front (cms)	44	46.5	49	51.5	54	56.5	59	61.5
Length Front (cms)	65	67	69	71	73	75	77	79
Unisex Wide Brim Hat	Standard	Extra Large						

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Circumference (cm)	58cm	60cm



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Question	Answer
Will navy pants be compulsory at all events in Australia?	Yes, however the timing depends on the event. Beige can be worn until the date indicated below, depending on the level of event.
	From 1 November 2024 – all National/Performance level events. Junior Nationals, ITF events, UTR Pro events, Pro Tour From 1 February 2025 – all Competitive Play events
Can I wear the Polo Ralph Lauren navy pants issued at AO?	Yes
Can women wear cropped / ankle length trousers?	Yes
Can I wear cargo pants?	No
I did not receive navy pants in my uniform pack.	Officials are to supply their own navy pants. Refer to the guidelines for more information. Links to examples are provided for reference only. TA are working on providing a discount partner, to be announced in due course.
Can I wear my tennis shoes or other sneakers more suitable to my feet?	Yes, just no Fluro colours allowed. Sandals and thongs not allowed.
Can I wear sun protection clothing layers?	Yes. Colour to match uniform base colour or skin colour. For any individual special requests TA can provide approval. Email your request to officiating@tennis.com.au
Can I wear my own broad brimmed hat?	No. If you have an individual request, please email officiating@tennis.com.au
I received a jacket in my member pack, can I purchase a vest?	Yes, via our <u>TA Officiating Uniform Order Form</u> .
Where can I purchase uniform items?	You can do so via our <u>TA Officiating Uniform Order Form</u> .
What if I've lost or damaged my uniform?	Officials are responsible for covering the cost of replacing any lost or damaged uniform, including postage. However, exceptions may be considered under special circumstances.