



## **Boundary Umpire- Function**

- Move along the boundary line to adjudicate on where the football leaves the playing field. If the ball is touched or bounces before going over the line, blow a whistle and put one arm straight up above your head. If kicked out on the full blow whistle and signal with two arms out from your side.
- The ball is only out when the entire football is over the line. If any part of the ball is on the line then the ball is still in. A player can run outside the line while holding the ball as long as the ball is still in play.
- In Under 13 – 14 give the match ball to the Field Umpire to be tossed up
- In Under 15 – 17 throw the ball back into play over your head.
- At the start of each quarter and after a goal has been scored return the ball to the Field umpires, then stand at the corner of the centre square. Each team can only have four players in the centre square for a centre ball up. If a team has more than this, blow your whistle and advise the Field umpire.

## **Boundary Umpires - Be Aware**

- Communication with the Field Umpire should be restricted to matters arising from Umpiring duties.
- Always act in a professional manner and refrain from barracking for or giving support to a team and giving advice or make comments to the Players, other Officials or Supporters.
- If the Field Umpire is of the opinion that a Boundary Umpire is making wrong or incompetent decisions, he or she may demand the club that has appointed the Boundary Umpire replace before re-commencing the match.
- A Field umpire can recall a Boundary Umpire's throw in if the throw in was not contestable