

ROB SADGROVE

UMPIRE CAREER SUMMARY





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LEVEL



NZ Level Seven (2025) WBSC Certification (2025)



PERSONAL EXCERPT

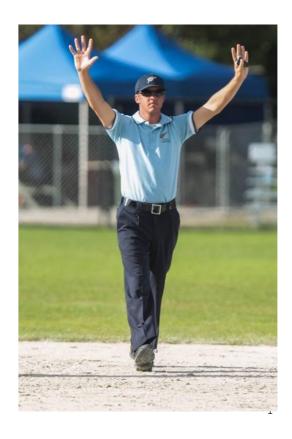
I first got involved in softball as an assistant coach for Metro premier woman in 2008 and with no previous experience, I quickly learned the rules of the game to fulfil this position. I also maintained a full skin diamond which gave me more knowledge of the diamond dimensions.

I grew a passion for the game and found umpiring calling to me. I chose the path of umpiring to assist the Auckland Umpires Association with numbers and offer players more quality of umpiring.

To acquire an understanding of the game from a player's perspective, I joined Metro Div 4 men and played one season to expand my concept of softball and help me develop as an umpire.

As I developed and progressed through my umpiring career, I found the need for more mentoring and guidance to achieve my goal of being a great umpire, and I transferred to North Harbour Umpires Association to achieve this goal. With the help of my peers here who give valuable feedback and share their knowledge I have achieved my New Zealand Badge and Level 7 and WBSC accreditation.

I was privileged to be assigned a great mentor through the Softball New Zealand Umpires Pathways Framework and continue to grow and develop on my umpiring journey.





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INTERNATIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2025	August 2025 (Future appointment) Canadian Mens Championship (Kitchener, Ontario)
2020	Australia Men's State Championships (Sydney, Australia)
2017	Oregon Ducks v NZ White Sox series (Auckland, NZ) 5 games of a 6-game series (1 Plate, 4 Base)
2016	International Friendship Series (Sydney, Australia) 13 games Appointed plate umpire for final



NATIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2024 / 25	NFC Women's Open Championship (WBSC Certification Clinic)
2023 / 24	Men's Open Championship
2019 / 20	Men's Open Championship
2018 / 19	NFC Men's Open Championship U23 Men
2017 / 18	NFC
2016 / 17	NFC Men's Open Championship U19 Men
2015 / 16	NFC Men's Open Championship U19 Men
2014 / 15	NFC U19 Men U17 Women
2013 / 14	U17 Men U 15 Women
2012 / 13	U15 Men Secondary Schools Div. 1



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LOCAL TOURNAMENT APPOINTMENTS

2024	Otago and Southland Intercity Tournament Men's Final (Plate)
2023	Jeffries Cup (Premier Men) Men's Final (Plate)
2014 - 2025	Vic Guth (Premier Men)
2019 - 2020	Fastball 45 (Televised Live Sky Sport TV)
2015 - 2017	Dean Schick Memorial (Premier Men) Rocky Chote (Premier Men)
2009 - 2012	Bear's Classic (Premier Men & Women) Brother Patrick (Premier Men)
2009 - 2011	Rehe Joseph (Premier Men & Women)



OTHER FIXTURES

2022	Black Sox Invitational Tournament
2017	NZ Army Corp Inter-base Men's Final (Plate)
2013	NZ Defence Force Inter-services Women's Final (Plate)

NZ Defence Force v Australia Defence Force (Women) 1st Base

NZ Defence Force v Australia Defence Force (Men)

Right Field Umpire

Warm-up Games for ISF Men World Championship (x6) Team USA (x2), Canada, Japan (x2), Australia







Softball New Zealand Men's Open Championship Fraser Ball Park, Lower Hutt 6 - 10 March 2024

