

Hunter/Jumper Judges

So you are interested in becoming an official



Manitoba
Horse Council

What Is the Purpose of a Judge

To possess a thorough knowledge of the rules to assist in making clear, accurate and fair assessments of both horse and rider.

What Is Judging?

- Judging by licensed and trained individuals is the evaluation of horse and rider in classes and divisions. Jumper judges judge based on the horse and riders accuracy, time and faults
- Hunter/Hack/Equitation judges judge on accuracy, efficiency and turnout
- Both types of judges doing all this while ensuring safe and fair play.

Judges Responsibilities

- Adjudicate each division and class in conformity with EC rules and the specification of the class as it appears in the rules.
- Shall exhibit the highest standard of integrity at all times and ensure that decisions are not to be made upon improper influence.
- Must be proficient in the divisions where they adjudicate and to possess a thorough knowledge of the rules.

Judges Responsibilities

- Must dismiss from the ring any unruly or unsafe horse and/or rider or anyone whose actions threatened to endanger other competitors, their entries or the public.
- Must examine and check for unsoundness all horses brought into any class. This is essential regardless of whether or not the competition indicates it is necessary.

Qualities of a Judge

- Horsemanship – experience with horses/care
- Knowledge of sport
- Knowledge of the current Rules
- Ability to make rapid, appropriate and fair decisions
- Work with other officials – you must have
 - Interpersonal skills
 - Clear Communication skills

Qualities of a Judge

- Fit to officiate
 - Sit for long periods of time
 - Stay alert for work long hours outdoors in harsh conditions
- Be diplomatic, fair, courteous, patient, positive, polite, and firm but compassionate.
- Have the knowledge to access resources and to provide answers

And...
Make Decisions with
Integrity



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- EC Recorded Hunter/Hack/Equitation Judge
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