

BECOMING A DRESSAGE JUDGE

The State Chief Instructors Panel (CIP) are responsible for all matters relating to the day-to-day running of the sport, and training and accrediting of judges in accordance with PCAQ Dressage Rules.

These matters may be delegated by the CIP to the State Dressage Committee but responsibility for these matters ultimately rests with the CIP.

These rules cover the ongoing education of members wishing to become accredited dressage judges; the training and examination required to attain accreditation; and the procedures required to remain accredited.

These rules refer to various rules and sections in the Dressage Rules. All Judges should own a current copy of the Dressage Rules. Any variation or dispensation from the following rules must be referred to the Dressage Sub- Committee for consideration.

Judge Accreditation

Accredited judges may act as a member of a Ground Jury at events or competitions of PCAQ.

Every second year all Dressage Judges are required to re-accredit with PCAQ a designated by the Dressage Sub-Committee. Once a judge has re-accredited they will appear on the Dressage Judges list. Only those elementary judges noted on dressage list can judge Medium level tests.

Accreditation Process is based on:

PCAQ Dressage Judge syllabus assessment activities, which include:

- Shadow judging
- Open Rule Book Test
- Written theory paper
- Practical judging exam
- Sport-specific and generic officiating information
- Mentoring is recommended as an educational activity
- Judge Candidates must be minimum of 17 years to attain accreditation as a PCAQ Dressage Judge

Upgrading Judges

All members seeking to upgrade should apply to do so in writing through their respective clubs.