

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR DRESSAGE IRELAND JUDGES



PROCEDURAL GUIDELINES FOR JUDGES

1. Reply promptly to judging invitations.
2. Ensure that you know the appropriate test and rules.
3. Dress smartly and in accordance with the status of the event. Do not wear advertising clothing (i.e. jackets, sweatshirts).
4. Arrive in plenty of time.
5. Inspect the arena, checking the going and the positioning of the letters.
6. Be courteous to the writer. Explain how you will give your marks and comments. Warn your writer of any tricky parts of the test.
7. Keep to time.
8. Check the score-board and the results before leaving the show. If you are unsure of the accuracy of the scorers, have the result checked.
9. If judging a member of the panel, be prepared to discuss the judging afterwards - in private.
10. If you are not able to fulfil a judging commitment it is up to you to find a replacement but discuss it with the organiser first.
11. Every eventually cannot be provided for. In any unforeseen or exceptional circumstances make a decision in a sporting spirit.

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JUDGE LOG BOOK

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UPGRADING INFORMATION

Date Last Upgraded:
Current List:

IMPORTANT

To Remain on the Judges Panel All Judges Should Attend;

- **In the best interest of the sport a judge is required to attend one National Training Session per year to continue on the judges list.**
- **If the above requirement is not fulfilled a judge will be hidden from the list and is required to attend TWO National Training Sessions in the following year to be re- instated on the list.**
- **After two years without attending training a judge will be required to attend Two National Training Sessions and then judge at a level below their current list or re- sit the exam appropriate to their listed level.**
- **If a judge in exceptional circumstances cannot fulfil the above requirements he/she should contact the Judges Committee in writing.**

THIS LOG BOOK WILL NEED TO BE PRODUCED AT TESTING DAYS WITH THE
APPROPRIATE ENTRIES COMPLETED.

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The Dressage Ireland (DI) requires that all those officiating in any Dressage competition such as Dressage Ireland, Eventing Ireland, AIRC, IPC, IPS etc. adhere to the DI Judges Code of Conduct:

1. DI Judges must have knowledge of the principles of Dressage, of the DI Rules and Regulations and are qualified to judge DI competitions appropriate to their level.
2. They are always representing DI.
3. A judge should always put the sport and the horse's welfare first.
4. When at a show or acting in any official capacity Judges should be considerate and respectful to other Judges, competitors and show officials.
5. A Judge should not conduct themselves in a manner detrimental to the character of and/or which may be prejudicial to the interests of Dressage Ireland
6. It is the responsibility of the Judge to be in good health and fit to officiate throughout the duration of the competition.
7. A Judge must avoid any actual or perceived conflict of interest. Activities which will lead to or may lead to a "conflict of interest" when officiating at a Dressage competition, include but are not limited to:
 - Judging any combination with whose training he/she has been regularly involved in up to six weeks before the competition date. See DI Rule 6.7.3
 - Parochial judging or favouritism
8. A Judge has the responsibility to notify the OC of a competition of any of the above or other possible conflicts of interest or situations that may be perceived as such.
9. Judges should be well prepared for the tests they are judging and should cooperate well with the OC and their colleagues.
10. Judges should be dressed appropriately and must always be aware that they are representing DI.
11. Judges should not solicit organisers for future invitations.
12. Opinion and comments on any of the combinations judged should be heard only by the writer and / or any person invited to sit-in i.e. someone who is shadow judging, and shared only with the competitor in question. Care should be taken not to discuss particular tests with anyone else.
13. Judges should not disclose or discuss any details of any combinations judged on social media sites such as forums, Facebook, twitter, or other websites.
14. Judges should be discreet and loyal to fellow Judges at all times.
15. Judges must observe the Judging restrictions as per the DI Rule Book.
16. The use of electronic communication, including mobile phones, is forbidden inside the Judge's huts/cars while judging.
17. Alcohol should not be consumed by Judges until finishing the day's judging.
18. DI and the DI Judges Committee have the right to undertake disciplinary actions against judges who do not follow the Code of Conduct and the DI Rules and Regulations.
19. Such disciplinary actions may consist of:
 - Warning letter
 - Temporary suspension
 - Demotion
 - Removal from the DI Judges List

OTHER RELEVANT TRAINING ATTENDED

(i.e. Sitting-In, Writing, Yard Visits, Foreign Trips Etc)



Date	Event	Taken By	Comments

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OFFICIAL NATIONAL TRAINING SESSIONS ATTENDED



Date	Venue	Course Taker	Level	Signature of Official or Master Judge

JUDGING EXPERIENCE



Date	Venue	Test Judged	No. in Class	Comments

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