

New Zealand Miniature Horse Association Inc

POLICY – Judge Training

Applicant Judges

All applicant judges are required to:

- Attend an NZMHA Judges Clinic
- Sit the NZMHA Rule Book Test a passing mark of 90% is required.
- Attend the Judge's interview

Applicant Judges are encouraged to offer themselves as Ring Stewards at NZMHA Shows and at A&P Shows in order to further their knowledge of show ring processes.

Probationary Judges

On successfully passing the Rule Book Test and Interview, judges will be graded as a Probationary Judge and be required to:

- Judge a minimum of 3 shows alongside a senior judge and,
- Receive 3 positive reports from a Senior Judge to be graded as an Approved Judge.
- These reports will be returned to the NZMHA LOC and a copy provided to the Probationary Judge.
- Each Judge will be required to complete a Judges Card in which to record each judging engagement.
- Probationary Judges may only judge B Rated Hi Point Shows until 3 positive reports have been lodged with the LOC and a recommendation is made that the Probationary Judge may judge higher rated shows.

This does not include non hi point ribbon and fun days and Probationary Judges are encouraged to expand their skills on events such as these.

Judge Grading

NZMHA Judges are graded in to 3 groups:

- Senior
- Approved
- Probationary