

The Showing Register Judges Appointment Scheme for the TSR 'O' Register

Who Organises the Scheme?

The Scheme will be administered by the TSR Independent Judges Body. All applications must be sent to the TSR Office.

Who Can apply for the TSR 'O' Register?

Existing Judges on an Accredited Panel

Existing panel judges on British Show Horse, BSPS, P(UK), NPS, CHAPS, NCPA, BSPA, Sport Horse (GB), VHS, SSADL, SWPA may submit an application form and subject to agreeing to the TSR T&C's for Judges and may be appointed directly to the equivalent panel without a further appraisal. Existing judges who wish to judge a new category such as M&M will be required to go for assessment.

New Applicants not on a Panel

Applicants not on any panel must submit an application form stating relevant experience for the panels applied for and 2 personal recommendation from people who have known them for a minimum of 5 years.

When to Apply & How Much will it Cost?

Applicants must apply by the 1st November in the current year. The fee is £15 plus VAT and is non refundable for new candidates and £20 plus VAT for existing judges.

How does the Assessment Work?

Step 1. Application Forms

All application forms will be reviewed and scored against a set criteria. Applicants will need to score 55% & above to proceed to the next step and must complete the process in a 12 month period. Applicants who do not score the required 55% must wait a further 12 months before reapplying and will be invited to join the TSR Judges Training Programme.

Applicants scoring 55% & over will be informed in December that they can proceed to the next step.

All applicants will receive their score with feed back to help them understand and strengthen their knowledge if required in certain areas.

The application form will be scored in the following areas:-

- Riding (maximum 20 marks)
- Competing In any field (maximum 20 marks)
- Judging (maximum 20 marks)
- Stewarding (maximum 10 marks)
- Teaching / training / production (maximum 10 marks)
- Breeding (maximum 10 marks)
- Personal recommendations (maximum 10 marks)

Step 2. Mentoring

Applicants will choose 2 or more mentors from the TSR Mentor list to help you to develop as a judge, it is up to you how much you do, the more you put in the more you will get out of it. The Mentors will provide feedback and scoring which will be counted as part of your assessment.

Step 3. Training Day

All applicants gaining 55% or above will be advised to attend a Training session to help prepare and support the applicant in preparation for assessment. TSR Yard & Study events will be posted on the TSR website.

Step 4. Stewarding

As part of your assessment you are required to steward at a TSR Show.

Step 5. Co Judging Assessment

Applicants will be invited to co judge with two senior judges at a TSR show in the same season. The senior judge will be asked to score the applicant on the day out of a total 120 marks with feedback comments.

Senior judges will award marks in each of the following categories.

- Turnout - max 10 marks
- Interaction with stewards and competitors, control of ring - max 20 marks
- Knowledge and use of marks - max 20 marks
- Knowledge of conformation, type, breed standards - max 30 marks
- Knowledge of way of going - max 30 marks
- Concentration and application throughout the day - max 10 marks

A score of 70% must be achieved from each of the 2 senior judges plus the 2 mentors. If 1 senior judge/mentor gives a low mark against 3 high marks then TSR Independent Judges body will have the discretion to ask the applicant to be reassessed under a 5th Judge.

Step 6. Appointment

Applicants achieving below 70% will not be appointed and asked to gain further training and experience. Applicants attaining 70% & above will be appointed to the 'O' panel.

Appeal Procedure

Should any applicant wish to appeal against a decision made by the TSR Independent Judges Body they can do so in writing with a deposit of £250 (which will be refundable if the appeal is upheld). The appeal should be received within 7 days of notification of the decision by the Independent body and received by recorded delivery. The appeal shall be referred and determined by the Appeals Committee. The committee shall be appointed by TSR and shall comprise such persons as TSR shall decide but will be made up of three independent persons. The committee shall proceed by way of written submissions only and no party shall be entitled to attend in person or be represented.