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

#### All correspondence must be conducted by email.

#### The TSR Office cannot answer any questions relating to assessment or appointment of Judges. Email: judges@theshowingregister.co.uk

# Who Organises the Scheme?

The Scheme will be administered by the TSR Independent Judges Body. All applications must be sent to the TSR Office Email: judges@theshowingregister.co.uk

For the O panel you can be appointed to Mountain and Moorland , Plaited ponies including working ponies, Coloureds, Veterans and Horses including Working Hunter.

Every effort to run an annual assessment day for the O panel and a bi annual Ride assessment will be made.

# Who Can apply for the TSR 'O' Register?

#### Existing Judges on an Accredited Panel

Existing panel judges on British Show Horse, BSPS, NPS, CHAPS, NCPA, BSPA, Sport Horse (GB), SSADL, SWPA, TGCA may submit an application form and subject to agreeing to the TSR Code of Conduct / Rules & Regulations for Judges & approval of the TSR Independent Judges Body 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. Judges with 3 years or less experience on a panel may be asked for extra supporting evidence.

#### New Applicants not on a Panel

Applicants not on any panel must submit an application form stating relevant experience for the panels applied.

Applicants for the O panel are expected to have a broad range of knowledge and when officiating at Club level be able to judge a variety of classes.

## When to Apply & How Much will it Cost?

Persons applying who are not on any recognised panel have to be a current paid up member of The Showing Register (£24) and pay the application fee of £24.

Existing Judges applying for extra panels or their panels to be recognised pay the application fee of £24.

Once appointed there is no obligation to be a member you will receive a free judges membership but to maintain the panels we charge an annual £12 administration fee.

Applicants must apply by the 1st October in the current year.

# How does the Assessment Work?

## **Existing Judges**

Existing judges on a recognised panel need to fill in an application form and submit it by 1st October of the current year. Evidence MUST be received of the appointment to the recognised panel. The application will go forward to the TSR Independent Judges Body for approval. Judges with 3 years or less experience on a panel may be asked for extra supporting evidence.

# **New Applicants**

- A request to be appointed to the O panel must be sent to the TSR office by e mail judges@theshowingregister.co.uk
  The e mail should be the mail box regularly used by the applicant.
- 2. On receipt of a request TSR will e mail an application form which must be completed and returned by e mail with the registration fee of £24. and their TSR Membership Number.
- 3. All sections of the form must be completed in full with as much relevant information as possible. Applicants who have not regularly undertaken stewarding / helping at shows will not be considered. The integrity of the statements on the form may be checked. If you are able to offer to steward / assist at a TSR show or clinic this will be noted in your assessment.
- 4. Applicants who excessively use Social media relating to shows and exhibitors may not be considered.
- 5. All applicants will be invited to an assessment day which will take the format of an interactive assessment/interview which will include Way of Going , Type and Conformation. The exact format will be made available to applicants on acceptance.
- 6. Applicants will receive a score based on the information on the application form and the result of the interactive interview conducted with two assessors.
- 7. The score results are : A : appointment to the O panel B : provisional appointment to the O panel with a request for mentoring/probationary judging or other training as applicable C : The candidate needs more experience before appointment. In the case of B if the candidate fails to arrange satisfactory mentoring/probationary judging or other applicable training the appointment will be rescinded. Applicants with a C score may re apply and will be offered guidance on areas to improve.
- 8. The O panel is used by many unaffiliated shows and is a publicly available list. You can be appointed to Mountain and Moorland ,Horses including WH , Plaited ponies including working ponies, Coloureds and Veterans you should expect to be required at assessment to have a broad knowledge and be able to judge at unaffiliated level a range of classes.
- 9. You will be informed of your result within 4 weeks of the assessment. The Judges Independent Panel will appoint judges based on the results of your assessment.

## **Ride Judge Applications**

Candidates who wish to apply for a panel as a Ride judge will need to attend a TSR Potential Judges Ride Training Day for their riding ability to be appraised. The approx cost of the ride day is £40.

#### TSR Code of Conduct & Judges Membership

All judges who are appointed to the TSR Judges Register must agree to abide by the TSR Code of Conduct & Rules & Regulations as stated in the TSR Handbook.

- 1. Confidentiality is vital as a judge you must not discuss any comments made or comment on any individual competitors when outside the ring
- 2. You should advise a senior judge or assessor if any exhibit/exhibitor you are assessing has a previous connection to you.
- 3. You must not exhibit under any person who has mentored you in the current year.
- 4. You will not be able to compete at any show were you are being assessed or holding an official position ie steward etc
- 5. You should hold you own public liability insurance
- 6. Any person found to bring the potential judges assessment process into disrepute will be removed from the scheme.
- 7.

# 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.