

## **Annex 12 - Upgrading and Qualification of Officials Judges, Stewards and Course Designers**

### **Purpose**

This Annex is designed as a guide to enable Judges, Course Designers, and Stewards to progress through the various grades of achievement to a level where they feel comfortable. At no stage does the ESNZ Jumping Board guarantee advancement just by the completion of academic records. At various stages practical and written tests need to be achieved since the aim is competence in all aspects of judging, stewarding and/or course designing at jumping competitions. The succession pathway for Judges, Course Designers and Stewards is as follows:

National Level 1

National Level 2

National Level 3

FEI Level 1

FEI Level 2

FEI Level 3

Equestrian Sport New Zealand (ESNZ) will maintain a list of all qualified judges, stewards and course designers and will regularly update the list as the Jumping Board approves changes. All current listed Officials can be found on the website [nzequestrian.org.nz](http://nzequestrian.org.nz)

When an applicant feels they have enough experience to upgrade they should consult their Area committee and/or senior fellow officials for support and forward their CV to the ESNZ Jumping Technical Committee for consideration. With the approval of the Technical Committee the application will be passed to the ESNZ Jumping Board for approval once all upgrading criteria has been met.

### **National Level 1 Steward**

All stewards must:

1. Be current members of ESNZ.
2. Be a minimum of 18 years old.
3. Have a basic understanding of the ESNZ Jumping Sport rules.
4. Be a team player and enthusiastic to learn from senior stewards.
5. Have a desire to further knowledge through the Stewards Education pathway.
6. Send in a CV to the ESNZ Technical committee outlining, personal details, ESNZ Area and membership number and any equestrian experience. An example document can be found on the Jumping page of the ESNZ website.

Note: National Level 1 is the chance for you to understand the role of a Steward at ESNZ sanctioned events. You will, with supervision work as a shadow Steward under a minimum National Level 3 Steward.

Once you have gained experienced you can decide if this is a role you want to pursue.

Apply to become a listed National Level 1 Steward through your Area Group or through a minimum National Level 3 Steward to the ESNZ Jumping Technical committee and ESNZ Jumping Board.