



## Changes to the FEI Education System

From 2024 only FEI accredited officials will be able to officiate at FEI events.

2023 is a transition year. TAG have put this information together to help upcoming officials understand the FEI requirements.

Below are the requirements to become a Level 1 FEI Official. Eventing New Zealand have applied to the FEI for Equivalence of our Education System which, if granted, would allow List 1 National Officials to step onto the FEI ladder at Level 2, once all the requirements for Level 2 have been completed.

The FEI Education system is an excellent system and so much knowledge is gained through their online courses and in person seminars that the option is available for officials to make the transition to FEI at an earlier level. TAG believe that FEI Level 1 is approximately ENZ National List 2.

### **Minimum Requirements for Eligibility to become an FEI Official**

For their application to be considered, FEI Eventing Officials must:

- ✓ Have an appropriate level of English, both written and spoken.
- ✓ Be minimum 18 years of age.
- ✓ Be in good standing with their National Federation.
- ✓ Be familiar with the FEI General Regulations, FEI Eventing Rules, FEI Veterinary Regulations, and FEI Eventing Stewards Manual and Annexes.
- ✓ Accept the applicable Codes and Code of Conduct.
- ✓ Be formally recommended by their National Federation.

National Federations are responsible for informing the FEI Eventing Department of any Official who is not in good standing with the National Federation.

# Level 1 Eventing Judges

## Requirements

Applicants wishing to be listed as a Level 1 Judge must:

- ✓ Achieve an English proficiency grade of A2 or higher.
- ✓ Be formally recommended by the National Federation.
- ✓ Have regular practice as a National Eventing Judge over a period of at least two years, and showing experience in XC and SJ Course evaluation.
- ✓ Be listed as a National Approved/qualified Dressage Judge at the level required to judge all the movements that the Eventing Dressage tests are made up of, i.e., working paces, leg yield, medium trot and canter, stretching in trot, free and extended walk, rein back, turn on the haunches, shoulder-in and half-pass in trot.
- ✓ Complete the online Eventing Foundation course.

For National Judges from NFs with an Equivalency System:

- ✓ Achieve an English proficiency grade of A2 or higher.
- ✓ Be formally recommended by the National Federation.
- ✓ Complete the online Eventing Foundation course.

## Education

For National Judges:

- ✓ Pass the Level 1 Judges online course with examination.
- ✓ Pass an online interview with Course Directors after having passed the Level 1 Judges online course.

For National Judges from NFs with an Equivalency System:

- ✓ Pass an online interview with Course Directors.

## Status

- ✓ On passing the Level 1 examination(s) and fulfilling all requirements, participants are listed as Level 1 Judges in the FEI Database.

## Roles at FEI Events

According to FEI Eventing Rules Art. 513.1/2/3/4/5, Level 1 Judges may take on the following roles at FEI Events:

- ✓ Ground Jury Member at CCI1-2\* / CCI3\* S

## **Maintenance**

To maintain status, Level 1 Judges must:

- ✓ Pass a CES Online Assessment every year.
- ✓ Pass a CES Maintenance Course (in-person) every three years.
- ✓ Have officiated as a Level 1 Judge at least at three (3) CCI's, of which at least one (1) must be Long Format Competition, within three years\*.

\*condition not applicable for the initial three years of officiating at Level 1.

The function of a Level 1 Judge who has not fulfilled one of the maintenance requirements by 15 December annually will be closed.

# Level 1 Eventing Stewards

## Requirements

Applicants wishing to be listed as a Level 1 Steward must:

- ✓ Achieve an English proficiency grade of A2 or higher.
- ✓ Be formally recommended by the National Federation.
- ✓ Be an active National Eventing Official, or Eventing Licensed Trainer, showing experience at national Eventing Events.
- ✓ Complete the online Eventing Foundation course.
- ✓ Be fit to officiate.

National Stewards from NFs with an Equivalency System wishing to be listed as a Level 1 Steward must:

- ✓ Achieve an English proficiency grade of A2 or higher.
- ✓ Be formally recommended by the National Federation.
- ✓ Complete the online Eventing Foundation course.
- ✓ Be fit to officiate.

## Education

For National Stewards:

- ✓ Pass the Level 1 Stewards online course with examination.
- ✓ Pass an online interview with Course Directors after having passed the Level 1 online course.

For National Stewards from NFs with an Equivalency System:

- ✓ Pass an online interview with Course Directors.

## Status

- ✓ On passing the Level 1 examination(s) and fulfilling all requirements, participants are listed as Level 1 Stewards in the FEI Database.

## Roles at FEI Events

According to FEI Eventing Rules Art. 513.1/2/3/4/5, Level 1 Stewards may take on the following roles at FEI Events:

- ✓ Assistant Steward at CCI1-4\*
- ✓ Chief Steward at CCI1\*

## **Maintenance**

To maintain status, Level 1 Stewards must:

- ✓ Pass a CES Online Assessment every year.
- ✓ Pass a CES Maintenance Course every three years.
- ✓ Have officiated as a Level 1 Steward at least at two (2) international Events (in any discipline) within three years\*.

\*condition not applicable for the initial three years of officiating at Level 1.

The function of a Level 1 Steward who has not fulfilled one of the maintenance requirements by 15 December annually will be closed.

# Level 1 Eventing Course Designers

## Requirements

Applicants wishing to be listed as a Level 1 Course Designer must:

- ✓ Achieve an English proficiency grade of A2 or higher.
- ✓ Be formally recommended by the National Federation.
- ✓ Be listed as National Course Designer with regular practice for at least three years. The period is reduced to one year if the CD is an active Eventing International Athlete.
- ✓ Complete the online FEI Eventing Foundation course.

## Education

- ✓ Pass the Level 1 Course Designers in-person course with examination (Course Designer Workshop).
- ✓ If an examination is not passed, the Official is given the opportunity of a re-attempt after one year.

## Status

- ✓ On passing the Level 1 examination(s), and fulfilling all requirements, participants are listed as Level 1 Course Designers in the FEI Database.

## Roles at FEI Events

According to FEI Eventing Rules Art. 513.1/2/3/4/5, Level 1 Course Designers may take on the following roles at FEI Events:

- ✓ Assistant Course Designer at CCI1-4\* (not requested by ER but recommended to gain experience)
- ✓ Course Designer at CCI1-2\*

## Maintenance

To maintain status, Level 1 Course Designers must:

- ✓ Pass a CES Online Assessment every year.
- ✓ Pass a CES Maintenance Course (in-person) every three years.
- ✓ Have officiated as a Level 1 Assistant Course Designer or Course Designer at least at four (4) CCIs within 3 years\*.

\*condition not applicable for the initial three years of officiating at Level 1.

The function of a Level 1 Course Designer who has not fulfilled one of the maintenance requirements by 15 December annually will be closed.

# Level 1 Eventing Technical Delegates

## Requirements

Applicants wishing to be listed as a Level 1 Technical Delegate must:

- ✓ Achieve an English proficiency grade of A2 or higher.
- ✓ Be formally recommended by the National Federation.
- ✓ Be listed as an Eventing National Official or Eventing Athlete.
- ✓ Be Fit to Officiate
- ✓ Complete the online Eventing Foundation course.

## Education

For National Eventing Official:

- ✓ Pass the Level 1 Technical Delegates online course with examination.
- ✓ Pass an online interview with Course Directors after having passed the Level 1 online course.

For Eventing Athletes not listed as national Eventing Official:

- ✓ Acting as Assistant Technical Delegate at two (2) different CCIs, with at least two (2) different Technical Delegates.
- ✓ Complete the online Eventing Foundation course.
- ✓ Pass the Level 1 Technical Delegates online course with examination.
- ✓ Pass an online interview with Course Directors after having passed the Level 1 online course.

## Status

- ✓ On passing the Level 1 examination(s) and fulfilling all requirements, participants are listed as Level 1 Technical Delegates in the FEI Database.

## Roles at FEI Events

According to FEI Eventing Rules Art. 513/1/2/3/4/5, Level 1 Technical Delegates may take on the following roles at FEI Events:

- ✓ Assistant Technical Delegate at CCI1-3\*
- ✓ Technical Delegate at CCI1\* & CCI2\*-S

## Maintenance

To maintain status, Level 1 Technical Delegates must:

- ✓ Pass a CES Online Assessment every year.
- ✓ Pass a CES Maintenance Course (in-person) every three years.
- ✓ Have officiated as a Level 1 Assistant Technical Delegate or Technical Delegate at least at two (2) CCIs within three years\*.

\*condition not applicable for the initial three years of officiating at Level 1.

The function of a Level 1 TD who has not fulfilled one of the maintenance requirements by 15 December will be closed.

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