

BFA Judges board

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Job Description

The role of the BFA judge is paramount to BFA flyball. In recognition of this, it was agreed that a Judges Board would be created to work alongside the BFA committee. The aim of the Judges Board is to improve and maintain standards of judging, review the current judging structure, provide support, guidance and supervision to both trainee and qualified judges. The Judges Board will encourage and initiate communication with all judges, addressing judging queries and difficult judging decisions. Development of judges training material and monitoring of those who are undertaking judging qualification will also be carried out by the judges' board.

Job Specification.

- BFA HJ/QJ for more than 3 years
- Has judged on a least 10 separate occasions at a BFA sanctioned tournament in the past eighteen months
- Competes regularly – you will need to be visible to the membership.
- Good communication skills – ability to provide feedback including your assessment of their level of judging both good and areas that require improvement, advice and direction.
- Able to teach, demonstrate and support
- In-depth knowledge of the rules including the ability to answer rule queries and clarify any anomalies.
- Interest in the development of judges training structure
- Basic IT skills to enable keeping of records/exam results/competencies, receive applications and issue log books.

Role of a JB member:

1. Reading and responding to emails
2. Assessment of trainee applications
3. Checking trainee judge logbooks and approving judging status
4. Supervising written exam for novice judges and trainee Head Judges (latterly if already a HJ)
5. Developing new training materials for judging
6. Ensuring consistent interpretation of the rules of racing
7. Liaising with the Rules Working Group in identifying grey areas which are open to misinterpretation
8. Developing new assessment tools for judges and measuring officials
9. Organising Judges Seminars, including venue hire, agenda planning, etc
10. Being available to attend tournaments to supervise/observe judges if required
11. Ensure time to commit to the role, including meetings, Skype, seminars and general administration duties
12. Be able to teach, support and demonstrate, with a solid understanding of the BFA rules
13. Provide feedback to individuals
14. Assist the BFA Committee in arranging official re-measures
15. Assist the BFA Committee with the selection of HJ/MO/QJ for both annual championship tournaments
16. Assist the BFA Committee in providing a Head Judge, when requested by a Tournament Organiser when there is not one available from the teams entered