

# **ENDURANCE VETERINARY CONTROL JUDGE**

## PROMOTION

To qualify as an Endurance Veterinary Control Judge one must:

- 1. Have graduated with a Veterinary Degree from an institution of recognized standing and be eligible for licensure to practice Veterinary Medicine.
- 2. Be familiar with the dynamics of the sport and the rules of Equestrian Canada.
- 3. Have the experience and skill to effectively judge an equine's ability to safely remain in competition.
- 4. Have experience in the practice of equine veterinary medicine.
- 5. Be current on trends within Equine Medicine and Horse Physiology, and the sport of Endurance.
- 6. Hold an EC Sport License (minimum Bronze) and Endurance affiliate membership.
- Successfully pass the \*EC Veterinary examination \*Exams are provided upon receipt of an application. Send applications to <u>officials@equestrian.ca</u> Application forms can be found on the Officials page of the EC website.
- 8. Have worked at endurance events (at least two) and provide letters of recommendation from at least two OCs.
- 9. In the interest of the welfare of the horse as well as the development of the sport of Endurance in Canada, an EC Veterinary Control Judge may act as a Veterinary Judge at any non-Equestrian Canada-sanctioned event.

### **MAINTAINING STATUS**

To maintain status as an EC Veterinary Control Judge one must:

- 1. Maintain an EC Sport License and Endurance affiliation equal to the level of competition (Bronze for Bronze events and Gold for FEI).
- 2. Act as a Veterinary Control Judge at a minimum of one EC Endurance event every three years.
- 3. Provide proof of attendance at one Continuing Education event dedicated to Equine Sports Medicine and/or Exercise Physiology at least every 3 years.
- 4. The above activities must be reported to the Equestrian Canada no later than December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year in which the event was attended.
- 5. Annual Renewal (fee applicable)

### **BENEFITS**

Current EC Veterinary Control judges will:

- 1. Be listed on the EC roster of officials and Find an Official search tool.
- 2. Receive a card showing their current VCJ status.
- 3. Be covered by ECs General Liability Insurance Policy while performing VCJ duties at an EC sanctioned endurance event.

#### REINSTATEMENT

Reinstatement following a lapse for failure to pay annual dues may only be applied for with special permission by Equestrian Canada. However, the following shall apply:

- 1. Only on the grounds of illness or for other acceptable reason.
- 2. The candidate must rewrite and pass a written examination, if written more than 2 years previously, and
- 3. The candidate shall attend the first available, relevant clinic.

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