



## Vaulting Judges Program Requirements

### Provincial Judges

To become a Provincial Vaulting Judge, individuals will:

- Be of at least 21 years of age.
- Hold a Bronze EC Sport License.
- Take one clinic approved by VaultCanada, given by an official approved by VaultCanada. This may be organized by a PTSO, the Provincial Vaulting Body, VaultCanada or Equestrian Canada.
- Write and pass an exam as approved by VaultCanada.
- Provide three reference letters, at least two of which will be from industry professionals or Equestrian Canada Vaulting Judges, or a judge who would qualify for a Vaulting Guest Card, and one additional character reference. Reference letter templates may be provided by the PTSO.
- Remit the first annual fee to the PTSO for registration in the program.

Once these are accomplished:

- Candidates will shadow judge 25 hours, with minimum of two EC, FEI, or US Equestrian guest carded judges. Candidates may shadow at competitions outside of Canada with permission of VaultCanada. Candidates must shadow at least one class of individual, pairs and team classes, and one class in all 3 gaits. (This may be as few as 3 classes for instance a walk team, pairs and canter individual, or any other combination.)
- The shadow judging must take place at Equestrian Canada Bronze Competitions or Classes, or if outside of Canada, at their equivalent levels.
- Non-Sanctioned Classes, such as barrel classes, may not be used towards the shadow judging requirements.
- The shadow judging must be arranged with the prior written permission of the judge and the competition organizer.
- These judges will verify that the individual has spent the time with them, and make comments on the individuals capabilities to the PTSO on the forms provided to them by the PTSO.

Maintaining Judges Status:

- Individuals must remain active, attending at least one updating clinic every year.
- Individuals must work at least two competitions in a two year period, and one of these competitions must be in Canada. One of the two competitions may be worked as a shadow judge.
- Individuals must maintain an Equestrian Canada Bronze Sport License and be a member in good standing with both Equestrian Canada and the PTSO.



- Remit the annual fee to the PTSO for continued administration under the program. The amount of the annual fee is set by VaultCanada and is currently \$50.

### Reinstatement for Non-Current Status:

If an individual does not meet the above requirements, in order to be reinstated he/she must:

- Write and pass an exam as approved by VaultCanada.
- Attend one updating clinic.
- Then, shadow judge for at least 6 hours under one or more EC, FEI, or US Equestrian guest carded judges. The competitions may be outside of Canada with permission from VaultCanada. The shadow judging must include at least one class of individual, pairs and team classes, and one class in all 3 gaits.

## Equestrian Canada Judges

To become an Equestrian Canada Vaulting Judge, individuals will:

- Be a Current Provincial Judge and have maintained that status for at least the most recent 12 months.
- Provide three reference letters, from competition organizers whom the individual has judged for, two of which must be from within Canada. Reference letter templates will be provided by Equestrian Canada.
- Submit an application for EC Vaulting Judge status and remit the application fee to Equestrian Canada.

Once these are accomplished:

- Candidates will shadow judge 25 hours, with minimum of two EC, FEI, or US Equestrian guest carded judges. Candidates may shadow at competitions outside of Canada with permission of VaultCanada. Candidates must shadow at least one class of individual, pairs and team classes, and at least two classes each of Canter A and Canter AA.
- The shadow judging must take place at Equestrian Canada Silver and/or Gold Competitions, or if outside of Canada, at their equivalent levels.
- All other classes beyond those listed above may not be used towards the shadow judging requirements.
- The shadow judging must be arranged with the prior written permission of the judge and the competition organizer.



- These judges will verify that the individual has spent the time with them, and make comments on the individual's capabilities to Equestrian Canada on the forms provided on the Equestrian Canada website.

### Maintaining Judges Status:

- Individuals must remain active, attending at least one updating clinic every year.
- Individuals must work at least two competitions in a two year period, and one of these competitions must be in Canada. One of the two competitions may be worked as a shadow judge.
- Individuals must maintain an Equestrian Canada Gold Sport License and be a member in good standing with Equestrian Canada.
- Remit the annual officials fee to Equestrian Canada

### Reinstatement for Non-Current Status:

If an individual does not meet the above requirements, in order to be reinstated he/she must:

- Write and pass an exam as approved by VaultCanada.
- First attend one updating clinic.
- Then, shadow judge for at least 6 hours under one or more EC, FEI, or US Equestrian guest carded judges. The competitions may be outside of Canada with permission from VaultCanada. The shadow judging must include at least one class of individual, pairs and team classes, and may occur in either or both of Canter A or Canter AA.