

Judge Education & Officials Reimbursement Scheme

Arrangements for judges & officials traveling interstate to maintain accreditation, upgrade qualifications or gain further experience in judging and stewarding.

Scope:

The purpose of this document is to set out a framework for reimbursement for Tasmanian judges and officials travelling interstate to upgrade, remain accredited and further their judging and stewarding experience.

The amounts noted in this document are intended as a guide only and are subject to availability and will be reviewed as part of normal financial operations.

1. Maintaining Accreditation, A and B Level Judges, Para and Young Horse Judges

Dressage Tasmania appreciates the commitment of Judges to attend Seminars Interstate in order maintain their accreditation as Seminars at the higher levels and Young Horse and Para Equestrian Seminars cannot be offered in Tasmania. We realise the financial strain this can impose on individuals. This difficulty is similar to that experienced in other regional areas of Australia. Judges may be eligible to receive up to \$500 per level per financial year (if maintaining accreditation at more than one level for A, B, YH and Para in the one financial year, judges may be eligible for more than one payment).

Please complete Intention to travel form on page 2 and claim form on page 4.

2. Upgrading to A, B, or C Levels or becoming a Para Equestrian or Young Horse Judge

Dressage Tasmania is supportive of Judges who upgrade their qualifications and understand that higher level judges must make numerous trips Interstate to achieve this goal.

Judges upgrading to A B or C Levels or becoming a Para Equestrian or Young Horse Judges will receive a subsidy of \$1500 (max per judge per accreditation per financial year) to cover expenses relating to travel to complete shadow judging, sit-ins and the Practical Exam. This amount will be paid on the successful completion of the qualification. A report must be submitted to dressagetasmania@outlook.com together with receipts for expenses.

Please complete Intention to travel form on page 3 and claim form on page 4.

Please Note:

Judges maintaining accreditation or upgrading are encouraged to seek Judging appointments Interstate and then 'piggyback' attending a Seminar or undertaking shadow judging or sit-ins. Organising Committees may pay for at least part of airfares and accommodation, and this then stretches our budget further! Many candidates have already done this successfully.

It is also suggested that Judges check that others may be attending events interstate as hire cars and accommodation can then be shared.

3. Gaining further experience in Judging

This is to support judges at C, D, E and F levels to travel interstate to gain further experience judging horses at these levels due to limited numbers within Tasmania. The provision of funding to F levels judges is under the stipulation you have submitted an intention to upgrade to E level form to dressagetasmania@outlook.com. A subsidy of \$500 per year may be paid for these Judges to gain further experience at these levels. A report must be submitted to dressagetasmania@outlook.com together with receipts for expenses – please complete claim section on page 4.

Please note, to be considered for funding from the Judge Education Reimbursement Scheme, it is expected that Tasmanian judges also judge at competitions held throughout Tasmania.

4. Stewards – Upgrading

To support Stewards upgrading to Level 2 or gaining their Para Stewarding qualifications, stewards may be eligible to receive up to \$500 per level per financial year (if upgrading to more than one level in one financial year, stewards may be eligible for more than one payment. This will be considered on a case-by-case basis).

Please complete Intention to travel form on Page 3 and submit Claim Section on return.

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Judge Education – Intention to Travel Form

Please complete Judges Intention to travel form below, and send to the Dressage Officials Panel (clearviewgardens2@bigpond.com) and CC in the Dressage Tasmania Secretary at dressagetasmania@outlook.com PRIOR to travel.

Intention to Travel

Name:

Event name:

Event date:

Proposed travel dates:

Planned judge education activity:

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This trip is taken with the intention of upgrading when I am ready: YES/NO (Please Circle)

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Claim Section

Please complete the below claim section and send to clearviewgardens2@bigpond.com and CC in the Dressage Tasmania Secretary at dressagetasmania@outlook.com, along with your report and receipts. Any questions? Please contact Judy Atkinson via email clearviewgardens2@bigpond.com or phone 0424 022 558.

Name:

Email:

Phone: My Current Level:

Amount being claimed:

Account name:

BSB:

Account number:

I wish to apply for (Please circle where appropriate);

1. Maintaining my A / B Para Dressage or YDH judging accreditation (up to \$500 per judge per level of accreditation per financial year)
2. I am upgrading to A / B / C level, Para or YH accreditation (\$1500 max per judge per financial year on the successful completion of the qualification).
3. Gaining further experience at C / D / E / F level – F level is on the provision you have submitted an intention to upgrade to E level (up to \$500 per judge per financial year).
4. Upgrading stewarding qualification to Level 2 or Para (up to \$500 per judge per financial year).

Please note – you are only eligible to claim one of these per financial year. If you are planning on upgrading in a financial year, you can't also claim funds for gaining further experience in the same financial year.

Also note that this form and these requirements are subject to review annually and depending on the availability of horses at each level within Tasmania. The amounts noted

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Please include with this application;

- Report to the Dressage Officials Panel (DOP) - email clearviewgardens2@bigpond.com or phone 0424 022 558.
- A Copy of your tax receipts/invoices for expenses relating to the travel.
- Documentation relating to the activity you have undertaken (assessed sit-in form, attendance certificate, Upgrading documentation etc)
- Please CC all documentation to Dressage Tasmania Secretary at dressagetasmania@outlook.com.