

Upcoming Courses:

- **Course Design Theory**
Moncton, NB
March 7-8
Sde-
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- **Eventing Officials Course**
for TDs and Judges
Bromont, QC
June 12-14
- **Course Design Practical**
Manitoba
October 3-4
- **Dressage Canada**
Develop Your Eye Series
Contact
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for more information.

For more info on all CEC Officials courses visit our website at www.equinecanada.ca and follow the Eventing link to Officials courses.

Did you know that an accredited EC Jumper Judge may judge Stadium in an eventing competition?



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Canadian Eventing Officials Newsletter

Welcome! A message from the Chair - Jo Young

On behalf of the Equine Canada -Canadian Eventing Officials Committee I would like to thank you all for your support through the implementation of the new accreditation programs. We recognise that there have been teething problems but it is only by taking those first steps that these become apparent. Rest assured that the committee is learning from its mistakes and the system will become more streamlined. Our goal is to have the best educated and qualified officials that equal any in the world. If you are frustrated because you did not attain your goal last year please stay with the program and please share your ideas for improvement with us.

I would like to congratulate all of you who have fulfilled all the criteria and now hold a new qualification and also those of you who have continued to improve your skills through education and practise.

Now that we have the education and accreditation process in place our newly qualified officials have to go out and put into practise everything that they have learned. At this point I would like to stress that each one of you is part of a TEAM. That team comprises the Organizer, the Course Designer, the TD the 3Day Event Judge and the other members of the Ground Jury. It is vital that everyone works together and consults the other members of the team. There is indeed strength in numbers and when it comes to safety, the Officials Committee wants you to use ALL the knowledge available to you within your team. People skills are key to being a good official so use yours wisely to gain the trust and support of every team on which you are a member of this season.

The Committee wishes you all a safe and happy eventing season!

New Safety Regulations: Competitors who have fallen off may continue under special conditions

At the November 2008 Safety Forum, the Safety Committee announced new measures which will permit competitors who have fallen off in show jumping or cross country to continue under special provisions which are outlined in Art 302.4.2 of the 2009 Rules for Eventing

1. The competitor who has been eliminated due to being unseated must be examined by designated medical per-

sonnel and receive medical clearance according to Art D 112 and D113.

2. The competitor must receive permission from the Ground Jury, the Technical Delegate and the Organiser.

3. The competitor and coach/trainer must sign a “waiver” of understanding. If the coach/trainer is not available to sign the waiver the competitor may not continue.

4. If there is not sufficient time for these conditions to be met before the eliminated competitor’s scheduled start time in the next test, the competitor may not continue. Exception – the Organiser may permit the competitor to start at an alternate time.

This does not include competitors who have been eliminated on course or who have been disqualified as per Article 116.



2009 Officials

Committee:

Chair: Jo Young

Members:

Len Kirby

Lynda Ramsay

Jan Stephens

Laurie Rowan

Course Design Advisor:

Jay Hambly

Interested in becoming a
member of the CE

Officials Committee?

Contact Jo Young at

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New TD Report Forms for 2009

TD Report Forms are now online! In an effort to make event reporting for TDs easier we have designed an online TD Report Form which can be completed on any computer with Adobe capabilities and the form will be sent directly to the Equine Canada Office.

New Report System Process:

- The TD is required to submit the TD Report within 3 days of the Event (as previously required)
- EC will send immediate acknowledgement of receipt of the form
- EC verifies the report is in order, if not a notice is sent to the TD
- Upon completion, the Report is sent to the PHTA, Event Organizer and the Provincial Competitions Representative; this will be done within 2 weeks of receipt.
- If the report is not received within 3 days an email reminder is sent to the TD
- If the Report is not received within 2 weeks a notice is sent to the TD and the Chair of both the Officials and Competitions Committee.

Equine Canada Eventing Department will continue to accept the original paper format for those who do not wish to use the online forms; however all TDs are strongly encouraged to use the online form.

The *new* TD Report Forms will be distributed to all Event Organizers and current TDs once completed.

*Please note that several changes have been made to the TD Report Form; therefore it is important that you use the new version.

Competition Administrative Process and Forms for 2009

Organizers, please take note that the process and timelines for EC Competition Date Approval and Officials Approval have been updated.

The CEC has updated the Date Notification Form along with the Officials approval form to better suite Eventing competitions.

The following are some important notes regarding to the changes:

- The Date Notification Form with competition licensing fee should be submitted to the PSO by JANUARY 1st and must be submitted not less than 60 days prior to the competition date .
- The Officials Approval Form must be completed and returned to the provincial office (PSO) a minimum of 30 days prior to the competition.
- The PSO must forward the Officials Approval Form to Equine Canada for final approval.

Note: EC Three Day Event Judge Candidates may judge the jumping test on a guest card basis. Organizers should contact Equine Canada to confirm the list of candidates. Eventing Guest Card applications can be found on the EC website - Eventing Dept - Documents for Event Organizers.

Newly Accredited Officials

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the 17 newly accredited officials for the 2009 competition season! Thank you very much for your time and dedication to the sport of Eventing; without you we would not have the great competitions we currently can offer our many competitors.

The following is a complete list of newly accredited officials.

Three Day Event Judges:

-Judy Turner—Level 1
 -Phil Wright—Level 2
 -Jill Yonge—Level 2
 Peta Christen—Level 2
 -John MacPherson—Level 3
 -Maureen Walters—Level 3
 -Catherine Slaney—Level 3
 -Lynda Ramsay—Level 3
 -Larry Brinker—Level 3
 -Christine Collins—Level 3
 -Kitty Bowland—Level 3

Eventing Jumper Judges:

-Heather Crampton
 -Liz Lewis
 -Susan Carr

Technical Delegates:

-Heather Crampton—Level 2
 -Jo Ann Opden Dries—Level 2
 -Debbie Best—Level 1

Interested in becoming an official or upgrading your current accreditation? Be sure to read Annex 9 of the 2009 Rules for Eventing for a complete description of all officiating opportunities.

2009 Rule Changes/Modifications

Article D504.3.2 - No Technical Delegate may officiate at the same event more than two (2) consecutive events unless special approval has been given by the EC Eventing Officials Committee. Request for special approval must accompany the Equine Canada Eventing Officials Approval Form and must be submitted to the Equine Canada through the PSO a minimum of 30 days prior to the competition.

Article D114.4.2 - Competitors may not use a stop watch to time their cross country rounds at Pre Training and below.

Article D316.3. Type of Obstacles

Plastic Cups and Pins or FEI approved "safety" breakaway cups of 25mm must be used for the top rail of the front, centre and back poles of all show jumping obstacles including warm-up obstacles.

Article D311.1 Faults at Obstacles

At Equine Canada competitions in divisions where the fixed height of the obstacle on the Cross Country test is less than 1.00m (PT & E), elimination and mandatory retirement **is after the third disobedience at the same obstacle or** after the fourth disobedience on Phase D.

ART D311.1.3 Cross Country Scoring - Dangerous Riding

Penalties will be determined by the Ground Jury in accordance with the Regulations; in addition to or instead of the penalties prescribed by the Regulations (Warning, Fine, Disqualification etc) the Ground Jury may penalize the competitor with 25 penalties. The 25 penalties for dangerous riding will count as obstacle penalty on the results

Art D115.3.3 Saddlery - Cross Country & Jumping Test

The use of ear covers on horses is not recommended for cross country.





2009 Net Relief Requests

Please remember that requests for Net Relief must be received by April 1st!

Please visit the 2009 Rules Art D115.2.6 for full details on submitting your request



Changes to the Course Designer Accreditation Program

The course designer accreditation program has been adapted to better suit the needs of our upcoming Course Designers. The following is a brief description of the levels in which a CD may gain accreditation.

Description of Accreditation Levels

Level 1: The EC 1-T(1-Training) Eventing Course Designer may design up to and including the EC Training horse trials division

The Level 1-P (1-Preliminary) Eventing Course Designer may design up to and including the EC Preliminary horse trails division.

Level 2: The EC Level 2-I (2-Intermediate)Eventing Course Designer may design up to and including the EC Intermediate/Advanced horse trials division.

The Level 2-A (2-Advanced) Eventing Course Designer may design up to and including the EC Advanced horse trails division and the CIC 3* International Three Day Events and CCI 1* international three day events.

Visit Annex 9 of the 2009 Rules for Eventing for a full description on the Course Designer Accreditation Program

Equivalency applications for Three Day Event Judges and for Course Designers have been extended for 2009!

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As we all look forward to an amazing 2009 season, the sport needs the continued support of its members and patrons to maintain established programs.

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*Sign up in '09 to be entitled to 15% off a custom "Coolmax Sweat Sheet" from Snugrugz!

