

NORDIC COMBINED SKI CANADA

APPENDIX I – ACTIVATION OF COMPETITION OFFICIALS

The development of competition officials in Canada is essential to the future of the sport and Canada's ability to host local and international events that are safe and fair. Through the activation of officials, Nordic Combined Ski Canada also promotes gender equity.

Competition officials are selected from members of the ski jumping/Nordic combined community who:

- Have an inherent fascination with the sport;
- Are members of a Canadian Ski Jumping and/or Nordic Combined club;
- Must understand the fundamentals of the jumper's performance; and
- Must have a basic understanding of the homologation of a Jump Hill

National Officials

There are three competition positions that require national certification:

1. Level 1 - Chief of Competition
2. Level 2 – National Judge
3. Level 2 – Technical Delegate

Chief of Competition:

- Must understand how a competition is run
- Must clearly understand all the roles and responsibilities of each position
- Must be familiar with the International Competition Rules (ICR)
- Must understand the venue specific rules and challenges
- Must work closely with the venue operator

Level 2 (National Judge/Technical Delegate)

- Should be no more than 40 years old (See FIS rules)
- Local Clubs/Divisions can recommend a Judge after a minimum of two (2) years as a local judge
- Must read and understand the ICR handbook and be able to locate rules within a five (5) minute time frame.
- Must be an active member of a local club/division
- Must attend the International FIS seminar every 2nd year
- Must have a good understanding of the aerodynamic forces in flight
- Must know from a judges perspective when the jump starts and ends
- Must know verbatim the "Hard Point" rules on outrun faults
- Must understand the forces involved in executing a proper telemark
- Must officiate in at least three (3) events per year
 - Must keep results (with judges scores) for review
 - Must maintain an 85% efficiency rating
- A National Candidate must judge at least one (1) International Event

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- Technical Delegate Candidates – must TD local events under supervision of a FIS TD

Active National Officials

Chief of Competition:

- Kelly Johansson (Calgary, AB)
- Rod Strate (Calgary, AB) – in Training
- Rick Smith (Squamish, BC)
- Mark Rolseth (Calgary, AB)

Technical Delegate:

- Rick Smith (Squamish, BC)
- Jim Woolsey (Vancouver, BC)
- Mark Rolseth (Calgary, AB)
- Mark Servold (Devon, AB)

National Judges:

- Richard Grady (Edmonton, AB) *retired FIS judge
- Alan Soukup (Calgary, AB)
- Barb Elms (Calgary, AB)
- Pat Callaghan (Calgary, AB)
- Rob Keith (BC) – candidate
- Max Thompson (AB) – candidate
- Alexandra Pretorius - candidate

International FIS Officials

International officials are certified via the International Ski Federation (FIS). Typically they have spent several years as a National Official and then begin the training and certification process as dictated by the FIS.

Level 3 Chief of Distance

- FIS is working on developing criteria and training for this official's position. Details to be determined.

Level 3 Chief of Competition

- Has the required background and skills to fulfill the role of a CoC. Ideally, has already proven experience as a competition leader or deputy competition leader on national level.
- Has an extensive knowledge of the different aspects of Ski Jumping.
- Has experience in hill preparation.

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- Is familiar with the ICR inclusive all related FIS requirements and guidelines.
- Is able to communicate clearly in the official FIS language, English
- Is self-confident and able to make decisions both independently and under stressful conditions.
- Has strong organization and time management skills. ▪ Has excellent communication and leadership skills
- Must complete a written online exam
- Must attend an on-site practical workshop and pass a theoretical exam
- Licenses:
 - License A:
 - Is mandatory for Chief of competition for “big events” – OWG, WSC, JWSC, WSFC, WC and SGP competitions
 - To obtain License A, online test and practical Workshop during FIS Ski Jumping world cup competition must be successfully passed
 - License A is valid for 4 years after successful passing Workshop
 - License B
 - License B is mandatory for Chief of competition for COC, FIS Cup, Alpen Cup, Youth cup and other FIS competitions
 - To obtain License B, online test and practical Workshop during FIS Ski Jumping World Cup or FIS Ski Jumping Continental Cup competition must be successfully passed.
 - License B is valid for 6 years after successful passing Workshop

Level 3 (FIS Judge)

- A minimum of a three (3) year period as a National Judge
- A vacant FIS Judge position for Canada must exist.
- Successfully pass the components necessary to obtain FIS status:
 - Must be able to write and pass a formal FIS officials examination at the conclusion of the International FIS Seminar
 - Must be able to pass a practical examination involving judging an International event where they will be scored based on their overall performance.

With the acknowledgement of women in ski jumping, Ski Jumping Canada’s goal is to obtain a minimum of 25% female representation with the FIS Officials group. Note female officials are indicated with an *.

Level 4 (FIS Technical Delegate)

- Must complete the judges criteria

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- Must be highly involved in the organization and running of competitions with in Canada
- Preference is given to a person who has been a ski jumper in the past
- Act as the FIS representative for the events that they attend
- Successfully pass the components necessary to obtain FIS status:
 - Must be able to write and pass a formal FIS officials examination at the conclusion of the International FIS Seminar
 - Must be able to pass a practical examination involving being the TD at an International even where they will be scored based on their over all performance.
- Must understand effects of speed, wind, take-off gradient, etc.
- They are the safety person on the hill

- FIS will do the assigning of officials to international events. Must officiate at least three (3) events per year or they risk losing their status
- Maximum number of TD's should be no more than one third of judges

Chief of Competition:

- Mark Servold - candidate
- Rick Smith - candidate
- Jim Woolsey - candidate
- *Kelly Johansson - candidate
- Jean Sequin (Quebec)
- John Lockyer (Ontario)

Technical Delegate:

- *Kelly Johansson (Calgary, AB) – Ski Jumping
- Nik Petrov (Calgary, AB)- Nordic Combined/Ski Jumping

Judges:

- Mark Servold (Devon, AB)
- Shinya Tanaka (Calgary, AB)
- *Kelly Johansson (Calgary, AB)
- Curtis Lyon (Calgary, AB)