

**US Sailing Judges Committee
Conference Call
Jan 21, 2015
2000 hrs.**

Conference Call Minutes

Attendees On line: Steve Wrigley JC Chair, John Mooney-Area B, Ric Crabbe-Area C, Sarah Ashton-Area D, Doc Sullivan-Area E, Latham Bell Area F and Area J, John Siegel-Area G, Tom Pochereva-Area H, Bruce Martinson-Area K, Wayne Balsiger-Area L, Glenn Oliver Umpire Chair

1. Club Judge Program –

The instructor corps is growing and all qualification requirements can be found online. An online application form to become an instructor is available. All Instructors, testing and seminar programs have been transferred to Bruce Martinson the Program Lead.

The Club Judge online test is active and available for use. As the program is new, all use for the next year or so will be in conjunction with a CJ seminar. Each seminar attendee will be instructed on the correct procedure to use.

2. Seminars schedule

The procedures for both CJS and ADJS (advance judges seminar) were discussed and finalized.

The following steps are to be taken to request an **Club Judge Seminar**.

- To have a seminar, the host (not the instructor) must apply by filling out the online form and submitting it electronically.
- An specific instructor can be requested by the host and that instructor is to advise proper RAJ prior to the host applying. The RAJ can appoint an instructor when needed.
- A copy of the request is automatically sent to the RAJ and the CJ Program Lead. The RAJ will respond to the applicant by email. to within 48 hours.
- The RAD will post the seminar on the calendar once approved.
- The instructor and the host shall work together to finalize, marketing and insure all registrations are complete.

A lead time is needed from application to actual event to allow marketing, planning etc. to take place. This should be at least 2 months, longer if possible.

The following steps are to be taken to request an **Advanced Judge Seminar**.

- To have a seminar, the host (not the instructor) must apply by filling out the online form and submitting it electronically the Chair of JETTS and the RAJ for the area where the host is located .
- A copy of the request is automatically sent to the RAJ and the JETTS Chair. The RAJ will respond to the applicant by email within 48 hours.
- The JETTS chair and the RAJ will consult on the Seminar Instructor.
- The RAD will post the seminar on the calendar once approved.
- The instructor and the host shall work together to finalize, marketing and insure all registrations are complete.

A lead time is needed from application to actual event to allow marketing, planning etc. to take place. This should be at least 6 months, longer if possible in order to allow judges to plan.

3. Renewals for 15.

Each RAJ is to contact those renewing in 2015. The RAD will send a second memo to all renewing judges in June and the RAJs are to send out another memo by email by mid September. It is still the responsibility of each judge to know when they will renew and if all of the qualifications will be met.

Commencing in 2015 all judges can find CEE guidelines on the web as renewal can be by other routes besides a seminar. See below for additional information on the testing for Judges and National Judges.

4. New applications

Approved - Judge Carol Robinson Area D

5. International Judge application and procedures

A brief discussion was held regarding any new candidates for IJ. The application is found online and must be to US Sailing by June 1st. Section 12 of the JM has full details. NOTE: there are two applications needed and they are separate. The first to US Sailing and the second to ISAF. Any candidates are to contact their RAJ who is responsible for presenting the application to the JC

6. Judges Manual (JM)

The JC will begin to review the JM for the new rules which will come in 17. The manual will be review for both content and new rules. The JC will consider the current JM layout and its service to our judges.

7. JCAM assignments

Each member of the JC will be responsible for contributing a section to the revision of the JCAM (Judges Committee Administrative Manual)

8. Communications, Marketing

A marketing/communication person to the JC was discussed. The lead will be responsible to provide communication to and from the JC for our judges corps and to insure that the JC is providing adequate tools to assist our judges in the endeavors.

9. Judge Testing up date.

The online test for Judges and National Judges is expected to be available in 2015 and will be only for those judges. Only those renewing in a given year will be able to take the test. Those attending a seminar will be able to access the test but through a different process. Full details will be emailed to all judges when the test is fully ready. The Beta version to the JC is to be ready by Mid Feb 15 and will be for those that renew this year. This online test will allow all those judges who become qualified to renew through the CEE (Continuing Education Event) program and the Seminar system to access a test. Judges should read the information on their judges page

10. Meeting adjourned 2125hrs