



## **REQUIREMENTS for APPROVAL of AHA RECOGNIZED JUDGES**

The AHA Accredited Judges List (the "recognized list") will be maintained and published in accordance with the standards and procedures listed below. Please consult the USEF or EC websites for contact information of currently licensed Arabian division judges. Please consult the AHA website for an online directory of AHA accredited judges.

***For complete USEF licensing information, use the following link:***

***<http://www.usef.org/documents/licensedOfficials/LicenseForms/Arabian-Recorded.pdf>***

### **OVERVIEW OF PROCEDURES for BECOMING an AHA ACCREDITED ARABIAN JUDGE**

1. Be a current member in good standing of AHA.
2. Have three (3) consecutive years of AHA membership.
3. Be at least 21 years of age.
4. The applicant must have attended the AHA Arabian Judges School within 36 months of participating in the AHA Arabian Judges Evaluation.
5. Obtain a minimum of three (3) learner judging experiences at three (3) different AHA recognized competitions with three (3) different registered ("R") judges who are currently on the recognized list. [See the separate Standards for Learner Judges requirements.]
6. Submit an application for Examination to the AHA Judges & Stewards Commissioner for consideration by the Education/Evaluation Commission. Evaluations are scheduled annually and are limited to approximately 20 people.
  - a. Provide to the AHA Judges & Stewards Commissioner the names of at least five (5) current AHA members for references, giving their complete name, address and telephone number.
  - b. Reference forms will be mailed to those individuals by the Commissioner's office.
7. When requested by the AHA Judges & Stewards Commissioner, provide a report of physical examination on the form provided by the Commissioner. The Commissioner may also appoint a panel of one-to-three physicians to perform an examination. The decision of the Commissioner with respect to physical fitness for adjudication of AHA recognized Arabian shows, divisions, or classes, shall be final and non-appealable.
8. Apply for and obtain a valid and current judge's card in the Arabian Division of the US Equestrian Federation or Equine Canada. Other equestrian federation or association judge's cards may be recognized subject to the written approval of the AHA Judges & Stewards Commissioner.

Information on how to apply to be an accredited judge, how to apply for National/Regional status, and how to apply for reinstatement of accreditation can be found on the AHA website, in the accreditation document: [http://www.arabianhorses.org/competitions/j-s/docs/12NR\\_Qualifications.pdf](http://www.arabianhorses.org/competitions/j-s/docs/12NR_Qualifications.pdf)