

MEMBER JUDGES

Our member judges will be at the very heart of the Association of Show and Competition Judges.

Our judges are professionally trained in their disciplines and keep up to date with latest trends and best practice. They come from a wide range of backgrounds and bring a valuable mix of skills and attributes to their role as judges.

Our offer

As a qualified judge, you're eligible to join our association and be part of a national network of professional judges.

We aim to offer something for every judge – whatever your discipline...and however long you've been qualified and judging for.

Our association is built on an ethos of continued learning, and that everyone has an important contribution to make.

We will offer:

- Continuing Professional Development ('CPD') – comprising:
 - Webinars, guest speakers, masterclasses, talks on the latest trends in your discipline
 - Judging best practice and 'refresher' sessions

We recognise that most judges organise and undertake CPD, but that some would welcome further structure and support.

Some CPD activities will be offered free to members, others may incur a cost, depending on the nature of the training.

We hope that many of our member judges may wish to get involved in delivering CPD activities, to share their knowledge or specialisms with others.

We ask that our members take part in at least two of these activities each year – as a way of the association staying in contact with / getting to know judges, and enabling our association to demonstrate that it is maintaining professional standards across its network.

- Informal learning – sharing knowledge, ideas, and best practice with fellow judges, through ‘catch up with a coffee’ or discussion sessions / forums.
- Access to judges’ resources – including judging guides and marksheets.
- Opportunities to get involved in creating and updating judging guides.
- Roles as ‘mentor’ judges to trainee judges.
- Inclusion in our qualified judges list, accessed by and promoted to shows and competitions across England and Wales.
- National fees guidance.
- Opportunities to train as trainers (with appropriate experience and qualifications).
- Membership badge.
- Support and advice on any judging matters.

The association will explore other potential benefits (e.g. insurance), where necessary for our role as judges and there is an economic benefit.

Contact us at: contact@showandcompetitionjudges.com