

Officials Committee Representatives

Role Description

Technical Committee members will represent the Officials Technical Committee and British Dressage to support all opportunities, activities and initiatives for Judging and Officials in the UK. They will be part of the decision-making process for technical matters. Working closely with the Judges Director, Training and Education Manager, Officials Education Supervisor and the committee. The vacant roles on the committee are:

- Event Coordinator
- BD Steward Representative
- Grassroots Judge Representative (List 3a and below)
- Rider Representative

Specific Responsibilities

The Event Coordinator, will work with the relevant committee and Head Office (HO) team to develop the timetable, secure demo riders and support onsite at events, to include the Principles of Dressage Seminar, FEI Module 4 days and other national level judge training dates as required by committee and HO.

BD Steward Rep – Must be minimum of a level 2 qualified BD steward, with a minimum of one years' experience in this role. Should have good knowledge of current BD national competition rules, and tack and equipment permitted within BD competition. Knowledge of the FEI rules for international events would be desirable.

The Grassroots Judging Representative will provide a balanced viewpoint from officials judging at a more local level. In addition, they will also help to improve the training experience for lower listed judges engaging with the education system and CPD.

The Rider Representative will act as a liaison between the committee and competitors across all levels, from grassroots to national level. In particular to support the committee to develop its approach to horse welfare in the competition arena.

While the roles have a specific purpose, all committee roles will also include contributing to the committee to inform the regulation of judge related activities. This can vary from being involved with supporting the delivery of the major events such as the Principles of Dressage Seminar, to contributing to judge training and assessment processes. Other tasks can include being involved in the development of the judge related rules, feedback on FEI rule changes or any other areas where the judges committee require input.

Requirements for the Role

Knowledge / Experience

- In depth knowledge relating to the role
- Knowledge of affiliated dressage and experience of dressage training, either as a rider, owner, trainer, or supporter
- Ideally be a listed judge (with the exception of the Rider Rep).
- To be judging regularly at your level.
- To have attended national / regional Judge training on a regular basis.

- To be generally respected by the judging and riding community, and be in touch with judges and riders at grassroots level in BD.
- Excellent organisational abilities
- Being happy to do the regular and routine tasks to make things happen as well as the more involved developmental planning
- Approachable and open-minded attitude
- Enthusiasm for your specific subject and the sport of dressage

In addition to the above, members should:

- Have experience as a Director, Trustee or Committee Member in a sporting, commercial or public sector context would be preferable.
- Be IT literate with access to a computer.

Personal Skills / Characteristics

- Upholds the highest standards of integrity and adheres to the Seven Principles of Public Life (selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness, honesty, and leadership).
- Positive, enthusiastic, dynamic, and energetic.
- A strong sense of teamwork and willing to work collaboratively with all stakeholders.
- Represent the interests of British Dressage in all matters relating to Dressage officials.
- Enthusiasm and drive to help shape Dressage in Great Britain.
- Have good organisational skills and be comfortable working to deadlines.
- A passion for sport is considered essential for this position.

British Dressage actively promotes diversity and welcomes applications from all parts of the community.

Time Commitment

You will be required to attend a minimum of three technical committee meetings per year, these
meetings will be a mix of virtual and in person at BD head office

Term of Office

- Technical committee members can stand for two terms of four years
- All technical committee roles are subject to a six-month probationary period

Remuneration

This role is voluntary. Out of pocket travel and accommodation expenses are paid.

To apply, please send a current CV and completed application form to ceo@britishdressage.co.uk