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SHADOW JUDGING

This is to be considered a formal educational process which is a compulsory pre-requisite in preparation for upgrading to the next level. Shadow judging can only be done with an accredited Judge present. Such supervising accredited judge must be at least E-level and at least one level higher than the candidate. The following procedure applies:

- Candidate to approach the OC in order to obtain a copy of the draw. This should include the starting time of the competition they wish to shadow judge along with the Chief Judge's name.
- The chief judge should be approached to obtain permission to shadow judge with them. The candidate judge must provide their own pencil, clipboard, judging sheets, and arrange to have the test sheets totalled.
- If judging from a vehicle the permission of the Chief Judge must be obtained if the vehicle is to be removed prior to the end of the competition. Any placement/removal must occur during a break.

Shadow judging may be done the following ways

Judge an official competition in an unofficial capacity. The candidate must retain their sheets.

- In conjunction with the Chief Judge have the test sheets discussed and compared.
- Time must be set aside for a useful discussion to take place between the Chief Judge and the candidate who is doing the shadow judging.
- Unless both judging and discussion processes take place, the exercise has the potential to be lacking in educational benefit.
- Chief Judge is to complete the 'Shadow Judging Analysis Form. Refer to Section 15. This will be provided by the candidate. If the form is not available then the test sheets must be notated, signed and dated by the Chief Judge.
- Test sheets from the Chief Judge must not be retained during the course of the competition.

Judging an associate competition in an official capacity with a higher level judge on the center line. Care should be taken to not retain the test sheets.