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Judges Certification Information

Purchase your online Judges Certification Tests

Judging at ISI competitions is done by trained and certified ISI Professional Members. All coaches who have students participating in an ISI competition are required to volunteer their time to judge at the event.

In order to become certified to judge at ISI competitions, the professional must pass at least one level of the ISI Judges Certification Examination. The certification exam is offered online.

All tests are open book. Most answers can be found in the current edition of the ISI Handbook. This exam style is used to test the candidate's knowledge of maneuver requirements, competition events, event levels, penalties and knowledge of where to find the correct information in current ISI publications.

There are five ISI Online Judge Certification exams. The Bronze, Silver and Gold tests must be taken in order. The Synchronized Test and 2014 Update Test may be taken at anytime.

For further information on the ISI Judges Certification Examination, please contact Kim Hansen at ISI: 972-735-8800 or email khansen@skateisi.org.

ISI Referee Certification Test

Referees are vitally important to the success and integrity of the ISI and its events, a certification test has been created to gauge prospective referees' knowledge of the ISI competition standards and to determine if they are qualified for the position.

A coach who wishes to take the referee test should meet the following criteria:

- Be a current ISI professional member.
- Be a gold-certified ISI judge with a current update test passed, if applicable.
- Have been using the ISI program (testing skaters and registering skaters in local competitions) for no less than two years.

Qualified persons may submit their application here. Each applicant will be required to list a sponsor who must be an ISI professional member vouching for the applicant's status (for example, applicant's skating director, competition director or rink manager).

Once the information is verified and approved by the ISI national office, a link will be emailed to purchase and take the test.

This test uses a true/false and multiple choice question format, with questions based on the application and interpretation of rules and practical judge panel scenarios. A separate video judging test section requires acting as a panel referee, performing actual event judging and penalty evaluation.