



Gippsland Campdraft Association Inc.

JUDGES POLICY

AIM:

To provide Gippsland Campdrafting Association (G.C.A.) and other Campdraft associations with quality, informed judges.

OBJECTIVE:

1. To have judges who have a sound knowledge of the National Campdrafting rules.
2. To provide judges clinics and seminars for judges to improve.
3. To provide GCA Campdraft committees with accredited judges
4. To provide support for all GCA judges
5. To support and mentor new trial judges

GCA Accredited Judges must be:

1. All accredited judges must be fully paid-up financial members of either the GCA SCA ABCRA ACA
2. All GCA Accredited judges must attend an approved GCA seminar/Clinic.
3. Or otherwise agreed upon by the GCA committee, based on extensive judging experience.
4. Or an accredited judge from another campdrafting association.

Judges Grading Procedure:

G.C.A. selected judging coordinators will grade judges according to experience. Trial, Novice or Open. The 'Judge Coordinators' will present the new grading to the GCA committee to be approved. Once approved by the GCA committee the GCA Secretary will update the official GCA judges list.

Trial Judges

A trial judge must complete a Trial Judge Application Form (available on website) and have approval by 2 GCA accredited open judges to be considered and must have an understanding of the NCCA and GCA Rules.

General Information:

If a competitor/member has a question regarding the rules of a draft, they **MUST NOT** approach the judge; however, they can speak to the Judges Head Co-ordinator.

Junior Campdrafts are to be judge the same as Juvenile Campdrafts, however, with one beast in the yard and leniency shown at the judge's discretion.

Juniors and Juveniles to be judged by Open Judges where possible.

The G.C.A. will supply an accredited judges list on their website.

The G.C.A. will supply an Open Judge mentor for trial judges.

Only competitors that are financial members, campdraft committees or Directors may formally lodge complaints to the GCA regarding the performance of a judge.

It is advised and encouraged that all judges attend a judge's clinic/seminar every two years to keep abreast with recent rule changes.

CODE OF CONDUCT – JUDGES

1. Must be listed on the official GCA, SCA, ABCRA or ACA Judges List to be able to judge a GCA affiliated draft.
2. A judge should always abide by the rules.
3. A judge shall judge in accordance with the NCCA's "Code of Conduct for the Care and Treatment of Campdraft Livestock."
4. A judge should conduct herself/himself in a manner fitting and proper to one afforded the honour of officiating at any GCA approved or sponsored contest.
5. A judge will not present himself under the influence of alcohol or drugs
6. A complaint against a judge must be submitted in writing to the Secretary of the GCA within 14 days of the campdraft taking place. Any such complaint shall set out the grounds of the complaint and the facts and circumstances relied on in support of those grounds, and be signed by at least 3 persons, who shall state their involvement in such draft — e.g.: GCA Committee Member, GCA Judge, Competitor or Spectator.
7. A current judges list is available from the Secretary of the GCA on request.
8. Committees are encouraged to engage more than one judge for the full program, depending on nominations.

REVIEW: Formed and accepted in 2014 at the annual general meeting and then to be reviewed bi-annually.

Reviewed at AGM 4th August, 2021 – Moved Erick Joosten Seconded Ian Hengstberger that the judges policy review be accepted. All in favour. Carried.