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Notice for all Judges and Show Holding Bodies

Please could we ask you to bear in mind the Conflict of Interest rule. The wording is below and will be placed in the Judges Portal on the website and into the Judges Information Pack.

It is understood that there may be times when a Conflict of Interest situation is unavoidable, however it must be declared in writing to DSA and the Show Holding Body, so that the Show Holding Body may choose a different judge should they so wish.

Best regards

Caroline Potts
DSA Official's Committee

Conflict of Interest

A judge must avoid any actual or perceived conflict of interest. A judge must have a neutral, independent and fair position towards Athletes, owners, trainers and other officials and integrate well into a team. Financial and/or personal interest must not influence or be perceived to influence their way of judging.

Activities which will lead to or may lead to a "conflict of interest" when officiating at a DSA graded show include but are not limited to:
Training a participating Horse/Athlete in the one month period prior to the event. Training a participating Horse/Athlete after the closing date of entries if it falls outside the one month period prior to the event.

A judge has the responsibility to notify DSA and the Show Holding Body in writing of any of the above or other possible conflicts of interest or situations that may be perceived as such.