



EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION OF INDIA

CODEX FOR EFI JUDGES

1. An EFI judge is an expert on the concerned discipline and horses, who must have knowledge of the principles of Discipline as per EFI and FEI Rules, based on his/her technical competence. He/ She is qualified to judge all EFI competitions in India. He/She is always representing the EFI.
2. A Judge must avoid any actual or perceived conflict of interest. A judge must have a neutral, independent and fair position towards riders, owners, trainers, organizers and other officials and integrate well into a team. Financial and/or personal interest must never influence or be perceived to influence his/her way of judging.
3. Activities which will lead to or may lead to a “conflict of interest” when officiating at a competition, include but are not limited to :-
 - (a) Training a horse/rider for more than three days in the twelve month period prior to an event or any training of a horse/rider during a period of six months before an event.
 - (b) Acting as Team chef of a team or being responsible/co-responsible for selecting teams and/or individuals or training riders.
 - (c) To be owner/part-owner of horses taking part in the event.
 - (d) Being in a situation of financial dependence or gaining financial profit from owners, riders, trainers, organizers or other related organizations.
 - (e) Having a close personal relationship with a competitor.
 - (f) Sub-Nationalistic judging.

A judge has the responsibility to notify the EFI of any of the above or other possible conflicts of interest or situations that may be perceived as such.

4. During an event, a judge has to be punctual and correct in the way of behavior.
5. A judge has to be well prepared for the tests he/she is judging and has to cooperate well with the organizer and his/her colleagues.
6. A judge has to be dressed appropriately and must always be aware that he/she is representing the EFI.
7. The EFI has the right to undertake disciplinary actions against judges who do not follow the Codex and EFI rules. Such disciplinary actions may consist of Warning letter, Temporary suspension and removal from the EFI Judges' list.
8. In exceptional circumstances and in order to promote the best interest of the sport, the Executive Committee of EFI may permit deviations from the provisions of para 3(a) to 3 (d).