

THE BRITISH HORSE DRIVING TRIALS ASSOCIATION

TRAINING OF NATIONAL TECHNICAL DELEGATES

Entry Qualifications

Before being appointed to the probationary list of Technical Delegates, candidates must:

- i) Have been TD at a minimum of six Club events, two of which had, at least, 25 competitors.
- ii) Demonstrate a basic knowledge of the Rules and the duties of a TD.

Training

Following appointment to the Probationary TD list, each candidate will be allocated a Mentor who will be either on the National TD list, or a member of the Competitions Committee. This Mentor will assist the Candidate in finding placements and monitor their progress.

Each Candidate must "shadow" a National TD at a minimum of six National Events, preferably within a minimum of a two year period for continuity of experience. "Shadowing" will entail attendance at a minimum of one TD'S pre-event visit and the period of attendance at events must be agreed with the TD'S involved. (Note:-"popping-in" to the event for a day or two will NOT count towards cumulative training totals).

National POJ'S and Course Designers may be considered for fast tracking after completing a minimum of 3 National Events. These officials will have already undergone similar training to a TD, therefore this experience enables them to be fast tracked and they will only be required to complete a minimum of 3 events as a Probationary TD.

Prior to completing training, all Probationary TD'S must assume the decision making roll at a National or Regional Event, with a National TD in a shadow roll to ensure that the correct decisions are taken. Successful completion of this event is essential, before consideration will be given to promoting the Candidate to a National TD.

TD'S responsible for training Probationers will submit a short report on each candidate who has accompanied him/her, at the end of each event. This report should be sent to the Chair of the Competitions Committee, so that progress can be recorded and monitored.

At the end of the training period, the reports will be reviewed by the Competitions Committee and if these are satisfactory we will recommend to Council that they consider elevating the Candidate to full National Technical Delegate.

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