



## YACHTING NEW ZEALAND

### Judge Pathway and Information

Yachting New Zealand has formal qualifications for Club Judges (CJ) and National Judges (NJ).

Initial appointment will be for a nominal 4 years, with the termination date being the nearest June 30th to the fourth anniversary of the appointment date. Renewal will be on a four-yearly basis.

#### Club Judge

Applications will be considered for appointment as Yachting New Zealand Club Judges. *Criteria for appointment are:*

- Experience at club protest level
- Attendance at Yachting New Zealand National Judging Seminar in the previous two years; and
- A pass in the written examination

*Criteria for revalidation – as per initial application*

#### National Judge

National Judges are experienced sailors who have met the required levels of experience and qualification and who have the ability to serve as competent Judges. They serve on protest committees which carry on the roles prescribed in the Racing Rules of Sailing, including the hearing of protests and judging under Appendix P.

*Criteria for initial appointment:*

- Have wide yachting experience and be active in yacht racing;
- Have a sound knowledge of the Racing Rules, the World Sailing Case Book and the World Sailing Judges Manual (all available from the [World Sailing website](#)).
- Have race organisation and race management experience;
- Have a judicial temperament, mature judgement and a record of integrity
- Meet acceptable behavioural standards and be able to play a team role.
- Have a demonstrable sound understanding of the requirements for successfully chairing a protest committee.



- Have:
  - a) Attended a Yachting New Zealand National Judging Seminar within the previous 2 years,
  - b) passed the written examination
  - c) demonstrated suitable experience as a judge

*Criteria for revalidation:*

To qualify for renewal, a candidate shall demonstrate that he or she has, during the previous four years, been an active judge, maintaining a level of knowledge, skill and behaviour that is expected of a National Judge. They shall also comply with one of the following methods of renewal:

Method 1. A candidate shall:

- have attended a Yachting New Zealand National Judging Seminar in the past two years; and
- have passed the written examination in the previous two years

Method 2. A candidate shall:

- have attended at least two Yachting New Zealand Judges' Forums in the past four years; and
- have passed the written examination in the previous two years