

AWSA OFFICIALS' PROGRAM
QUANTITATIVE REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVANCEMENT AND RENEWAL

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RATING TYPE/ LEVEL	APPLICATION AND ADVANCEMENT REQUIREMENTS											RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS			
	Min. Age	Clinics	Tourns.	Ast. Chief	Chief	Regional/ National Champs/ 50+skier L tourn.	Tourns. Scored (for non-scorers)	Ast. Chief Scorer (for non-scorers)	Total Minimum # of Tourns. Worked	Written Test	Practical Test	Motor Vehicle Record (MVR) Review	Tourns/ 4 Years	Motor Vehicle Record (MVR) Review/ 2 Years	In-Person or Online Clinics/ 4 Years
JUDGE Assistant	NA		Use Application										8		
Regular	NA	1	5	2			3		7	1	1		8		1
Senior	NA	1	9	3	*	2	3	2	15	1	1		8		1
SCORER Assistant	NA		Use Application										8		
Regular	NA	1	5	1					6	1	1		8		1
Senior	NA	1	9		3	2			15	1	1		8		1
DRIVER Assistant	16	1	Use Application							1	1	1	8	1	1
Regular	18	1	10	2					12	1	1		12	1	1
Senior	18	1	16		2				18	1	1		12	1	1

Fast Track Options – Skiers holding a specified rating on the AWSA National Rankings List may use Fast Track options to qualify for certain Judge, Scorer, or Driver ratings in lieu of full quantitative requirements. See the Policy Manual for details.

Three, Two, or One Event ratings – Officials seeking an upgrade or renewal must complete the required quantitative standards for each event, slalom, trick and jump.

Multiple Rating Credits – An official may serve and receive credit as a judge, scorer, and/or driver at the same tournament, but may earn only one credit per rating category per tournament, so you may be awarded a judging/ scoring/driving credit or an Assistant Chief credit but not both.

Jump Judging Credit – Upgrade and maintenance credit is granted for serving as Shore Judge, Boat Judge, or Video Jump Distance Operator (including Meter Reader or Master Board Operator).

Grassroots Tournaments – Aspiring Assistant officials may earn credit at Grassroots tournaments. Rated officials receive maintenance (not upgrade) credit only.

Minimum Age – Officials must be at least 18 years old to serve as Chief Judge or Appointed Official.

Regional/National Credit for Aspiring Senior Officials – Credit may be earned at Regional, National, or NCWSA Nationals tournaments. Work at a large Record tournament (50+ skiers) may substitute for up to one required Regional/National credit.

Chief Official Substitution – Aspiring Senior Judges and Scorers may reduce non-Regional/National tournament requirements by serving as the Chief Judge or Chief Scorer. Each instance replaces two tournaments, for a max of three times.

Clinics – Clinic attendance is required for all upgrades. Except for Assistant Judges and Scorers, officials must attend one USA-WSWS sanctioned clinic every four years

to renew ratings. Clinics may count as one tournament credit per calendar year. Clinics may be in person, virtual, or completed through online modules.

Renewal Requirements Officials must officiate the required number of tournaments for each rated event within a four-year cycle to maintain ratings. Renewal is reviewed every four years. If minimum requirements are not met, written and practical retesting may substitute for experience.

Senior Drivers with a slalom rating must submit annually an end-course driving video to their regional committee representative for review.

Tracking Credits – Officials may view upgrade and renewal credits via the USA-WSWS Member Dashboard. Discrepancies should be reported to the appropriate Chief Official for correction and communication to AWSA.

Hardship – Refer to the Policy Manual for applicable provisions.