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What It Takes to be a First Aid Competition Judge

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What it takes to be a

COMPETITION JUDGE



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What does a Judge do?

- Evaluates the performance of competitors using a standardized scoring sheet
- Makes a judgment about whether or not to assign points (how many?)
- Represents an organization to outside individuals participating in competition



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Qualities of a Good Judge

- Honest
- Fair
- Attentive
- Reliable
- Personable



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Qualifications for a Judge

- First Aid Certification – at least to the level being judged
- Instructor Certification
- Professional Qualifications
- Judging Certification



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Experience for a Judge

- Previous Judging experience
- Instructor/ Evaluator Experience



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The difference between

JUDGING A COMPETITION

and

**EVALUATING A FIRST AID
COURSE**



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First Aid Course

- Evaluating the students based on a minimum criteria
- Ensuring proficiency with the first aid skills
- Evaluating the transfer of knowledge and skill from the instructor to the student
- No winners or losers

First Aid Competition

- Don't care about ensuring proficiency
- Not evaluating the transfer of knowledge
- Finding a winner – who did it best?



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A look at

SCORING SYSTEMS



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- OMFRC Scoring System
 - Ski Patrol
 - International Cadet Competition
- ACERT Scoring System
 - Lifeguard Competitions

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SOLVING DISCREPANCIES



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What situations may arise?

- Disagreement about what is “correct”
- Disagreement with what the marking sheet indicates is correct or should be done



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Some general principles...

- The fairest result to all competitors
- No feedback or discussion at the site
- When in doubt, let someone more senior decide
- Remain calm, keep things moving



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Discrepancies?

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QUESTIONS?