

PARA Chief Gate Judge Certification Exam

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True or False (enter T or F)

- _____ 1. The chief gate judge must be a member of USSA with a minimum certification of level 1 Competition Official.
- _____ 2. For technical events, the voting members of the Jury consists of the Chief of Course, the Referee, and the Technical Delegate.
- _____ 3. The DSQ report (Report by the Referee) must be posted for 15 minutes before the protest period against disqualification expires.
- _____ 4. According to USSA rules the Chief Gate Judge, the Start Referee and the Finish Referee are non-voting Jury Advisors.
- _____ 5. The Chief of Race represents the Race Organizing Committee (ROC) on the jury and is responsible for making sure the race venue and equipment are adequate.
- _____ 6. The Technical Delegate represents USSA on the jury, and is tasked to make sure the rules are followed, athlete security is adequate, and the timing and scoring are accurate.
- _____ 7. The Referee is the advocate for the athletes on the jury and should be selected from active coaches with Referee certifications.
- _____ 8. The Chief Gate Judge is one of several officials that would be considered “eyes of the jury” whose testimony may carry more weight than other non-official witnesses in a jury meeting.
- _____ 9. An assistant Referee may be assigned as a voting member of the Jury for technical events.
- _____ 10. All gate judges who have been witnesses to an event that would lead to disqualification should be readily available for testimony until the protest period against disqualification has expired.
- _____ 11. All DNFs require a detailed diagram.
- _____ 12. The gate judge should disqualify an athlete if he/she is 75% certain there was a fault committed.
- _____ 13. After placing the gate judges and reporting to the jury that the gate judges are in place, the chief gate judge should check with each gate judge to confirm they are watching the correct gates, they are positioned properly, and their cards are properly prepared.
- _____ 14. The chief gate judge should be prepared to fill in for a gate judge who must leave his/her position before the end of the run.

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Click all of the following that are NOT duties or responsibilities of the Chief Gate Judge

- 15. Make sure gate judges are placed in the best position to observe and maintain their assigned gates.
- 16. Ensure gate judge equipment is placed outside of obvious fall zones.
- 17. Determine placement of athlete security netting
- 18. Assign gates and place gate judges in the best position to fulfill their responsibilities
- 19. Recruit an adequate number of Gate Judges
- 20. Ensure all gate judges have prepared their gate cards properly
- 21. Confirm all gate cards have been turned in at the conclusion of each run
- 22. Work with the Chief of Timing to ensure DSQ information has been entered into the timing software.
- 23. Supervise the course maintenance workers
- 24. Conduct the gate judge meeting prior to the race
- 25. At the gate judge meeting explain that hiking competitors who have been passed will be DSQ
- 26. Provide snacks and fluids for all Gate Judges
- 27. Document interference and DSQs that you witness
- 28. Meet the Referee at the finish immediately after each run to review the gate cards
- 29. Communicate time and location to meet on the hill prior to each run for placement of gate judges
- 30. Confirm gate count with timing or a member of the jury at the finish
- 31. Remain at the top as much as possible to deliver replacement gate poles to the course as needed
- 32. Report infractions of the equipment rules to the Referee
- 33. Sanction athletes who have been overheard using foul language while on course
- 34. Review the rules for interference and legal gate passage at the gate judge meeting
- 35. Distribute gate judge supplies at the Gate Judge meeting and collect them or provide instructions where to return them after the race
- 36. Require all gate judges to remain in the finish area until the Referee or TD releases them
- 37. Document the gate numbers and the name of the person assigned to them
- 38. Tell all gate judges who have been released by the Referee after the final run that they are free to leave the mountain.
- 39. In the gate judge meeting, explain how it is important to watch the hands and body to determine legal gate passage.
- 40. Report the number of gates, number of gate judges at the gate judge meeting, and number of certified gate judges to the PARA gate judge coordinator for every day of racing.

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