

Junior Examiners

- All persons who are interested in testing and who are qualified to test must first attend a clinic.
- If you are interested in testing but you are not a Pony Club member, you must submit a **resume of your experience in the horse industry**. Those attending the clinic will then be put on the tester's list as a Junior Examiners.
- From this point, a Junior Examiner is required to obtain two assists before being upgraded. An assist is when a new examiner accompanies an experienced examiner through a test, completing the same test forms as the experienced examiner and helping with the facility preparation and perhaps with the questioning. Then, results are compared and discussed after the test is completed.
- As a Junior Examiner, you should try to get your assists at the D or D1 Level.
- Contact your Branch Testing Chairperson and neighbouring clubs and ask to be included in any D tests to help earn your assists. The region encourages experienced examiners to try to include junior examiners in their testings whenever possible.
- Make sure your assist gets recorded on the Regional Test Result Sheet so you will get credit for the assist. Keep track of your assists and testings as a backup.
- As a Junior Examiner you **cannot** test alone. When the Regional Testing Chair receives notification of your two assists, you will be upgraded to a D Level Examiner. Other clubs will be notified at the next publication of the C/D Examiners List (usually at the beginning of the year).
- If you are a C2 level Pony Club member, you must complete two assists as a Junior Examiner but, providing at least one of your assists is at the D1 or D2 level, you will be put onto the Examiners List at the D1 level (that is, qualified to test D and D1 levels). To advance further, the existing upgrading policy is in effect.
- If you are a B level Pony Club member, you must complete two assists as a Junior Examiner but, providing at least one of your assists is at the D2 level, you will be put onto the Examiners List at the D2 level (that is, qualified to test D2 level and below). To advance further, the existing upgrading policy is in effect.

Upgrading

- Before upgrading a level, an examiner must test at least twice at the level they are currently at. They must then obtain a **letter of recommendation** from another examiner who is currently at or above the desired level of testing. This letter must confirm that the candidate has a competent knowledge of the testing materials at the desired level as well as the maturity and social skills necessary to handle the desired level of testing. The Regional Testing Committee will regularly review upgrade requests and letters of recommendation, and notify examiners of their promotion to the next level.
- Before moving up from the D2 stage to the C stage, you will be required to attend an Examiners Clinic, obtain two assists with an experienced C level examiner, and submit a letter of recommendation. It is felt by the testing committee that the jump from the D2 level to C level is significant and to properly prepare our examiners for this level, assists will help introduce you to the requirements of this level. Once you have become a C examiner, you will be required to test twice at that stage, then attend an examiners clinic, and submit the letter of recommendation before upgrading to the next stage.
- If you are not a Pony Club member you may also upgrade, however, the level that you are eligible to test at will be at the discretion of the Regional Testing Committee based on your horsemanship knowledge and experience and your familiarity with the Pony Club system.

Levels for Junior Examiners currently PC members

C's may test D's

C1's may test D - D1

C2's may test D - D2

B's may test to C

B2's may test to C1

A's may test to C2