Judo Saskatchewan Refereeing Criteria

Judo Saskatchewan and the Judo Saskatchewan Referee Committee encourage all judoka to become involved in becoming a referee in the sport of Judo. To achieve this we have set out some guidelines for what is required to begin this activity and what is expected to progress to the National level.

Beginner or Novice Criteria:

To start refereeing it is important to know the sport of judo and the rules of competition. For this reason a beginner referee must have been in judo for a minimum of 2 years and have obtained the rank of orange belt. It is also recommended that all new referees attend a referee clinic before starting so they will be better prepared with the protocols and expectations of a referee.

Provincial C Level:

Minimum of green belt and must referee at a minimum of 4 provincial tournaments. There will be an evaluation of the candidate's knowledge and application of the rules and refereeing protocols at a basic level.

Provincial B Level:

Minimum of blue belt and must referee at a minimum of 6 provincial tournaments since last referee grading. There will be an evaluation of the candidate's knowledge and application of the rules and refereeing protocols at an intermediate level.

Provincial A Level:

Minimum of brown belt and must referee at a minimum of 8 provincial tournaments or 6 provincial tournaments and 2 out of province tournaments since last referee grading. There will be an evaluation of the candidate's knowledge and application of the rules and refereeing protocols at an advanced level.

The Judo Saskatchewan Referee Committee reserves the right to promote a candidate sooner if they demonstrate advanced refereeing skills in several consecutive provincial or higher competitions.