

ROWING CANADA AVIRON



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UMPIRES COMMITTEE

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Overview

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Committee Structure

- According to the RCA UC [Terms of Reference](#):
 - “...up to six members selected for their knowledge of umpiring, capacity in policy development, and capability and willingness to undertake committee work. A minimum of one member of the UC shall be a licensed FISA umpire”
 - “...selected through a structured application process”



RCA Umpires Committee

- Technical Committee – reports to CEO, provides advice to Board
- Chair appointed by CEO – open call
- Members appointed by Chair – open call
- Current Members:
 - Judy Sutcliffe (Toronto, ON) Chair
 - Donna Bliss (Fredericton, NB)
 - Marie-Sophie Desaulniers (Ottawa, ON)
 - Debbie Sage (Clinton, ON)
 - Julia-Ann Vincent (Halifax, NS)
 - Ge-an Rijniersce (Vancouver, BC)



Sub-Committees

- Umpire Education and Development (UEDSC)
 - **Chair** Donna Bliss
- National Jury (NJSC)
 - **Chair** Debbie Sage
 - Atlantic – Linda Lee
 - Quebec – Julie Thibault
 - Ontario – Louise Hastings
 - Prairies – Audra Vair
 - British Columbia - Ge-an Rijniersce
- FISA Matters Sub-committee (FMSC)
 - **Chair** Dave Derry



2022 Accomplishments

- National Jury appointments for 2022 – JIT
- Rules of Racing – New Rules now active since June 2022
- Safe Sports Training and Screening Requirements – **November 30 !!**
- RCA seminar material:
 - Material for 2022 licensing clinics
 - Material for Rules of Racing updates clinics
- Task force on inclusive umpires in pilot phase, one Associate umpire in Ontario
- L4 examinations – taking place November/December 2022



2023 Planned

- Updating the videos for the level 2 clinic material
- National Jury appointments for 2023 – to be determined when
- Review of National Jury selection process – more diversity





Final Points

- Selection for National Juries for 2023 will come out in the near future — **consider applying**
- License Maintenance – Umpires licenses are maintained through evaluations in 3 of 5 stations once every three years (as described earlier) and seminar once in same 3-yr. block
- Safe Sport Policy is here and applies to umpires – **You have till November 30**



Questions?