

SELECTION CRITERIA FOR F3A AUSTRALIAN JUDGES

Eligibility for nomination as an FAI-F3A International Judge

To be eligible for recommendation by the APA for inclusion onto the CIAM/FAI judges register (via the MAAA), an application must be submitted that meets the following criteria:

1. Judged FAI-F3A class or Australian domestic Expert for at least five or more pattern competitions during the previous two years, at least two of these competitions must be from the following:
 - a) Official Team Trial
 - b) Australian National Championships
 - c) Australian Masters
 - d) APA Championship
 - e) State Championship sanctioned by the relevant State Association
 - f) National Championship of a country other than Australia (with more than ten FAI-F3A class competitors)
2. Hold a judging logbook that supports the required experience (as per point 1). The logbook should be signed by the contest director at each event.
3. Have judged aerobatics (FAI-F3A, Expert, Advance or Sportsman class) for a minimum of four years.
4. Demonstrate a thorough understanding of the F3A Manoeuvres Execution Guide and the current Sporting Code. (Section 4, 4A, 4B, 4C volume F3, Radio Control Aerobatics of the FAI sporting code)
5. Provide an F3A bio and resume, detailing your general experience in the sport.

APA nomination of International Judges

1. All active and prospective international judges are required to submit their credentials to the APA no later than the 30th of September each year for nomination or re-nomination.
2. The APA will nominate all applicants that meet the above mentioned criteria, up to a maximum of 5 judges. If greater than 5 suitable applications are received the following elimination criteria will be applied until there are 5 applications remaining. Each elimination criteria will be applied until it is invalid, then the next criteria will be applied until only 5 applications are remaining:
 - a. The longest standing applicant with greater than 5 years of APA endorsement
 - b. Applicants with the least domestic experience at the events listed in requirement 1
 - c. The longest standing applicant with greater than 4 years of APA endorsement
3. The APA will withdraw nominations under the following circumstances:
 - a. An applicant becomes inactive for a period of greater than 1 year
 - b. If feedback is provided by CIAM or an international event organising committee that the applicant does not perform at the required level. (Applicants can re-apply once they have demonstrated they have reasonably addressed those concerns)
 - c. Conduct that impacts the reputation of the MAAA or the APA and its memberships

4. The current list of Australian FAI-F3A judges will be published from time to time on the APA website or through MAAA official information.
5. Nominations to the CIAM FAI register will be made before November each year, names accepted at the CIAM Plenary meeting in March of the following year are added to the international judging list. International event organising committees are required to select judges from this list, they will normally request that all judges submit a resume and make selections based on their own criteria.