



The "International Judging and Officiating Course" is the first step in becoming a professional surfing Judge and Official. Surfing Australia are committed to providing a clear development pathway for our aspiring and, dedicated experienced officials.

The education of our sport's officials is paramount to the direct success of the competition system. The role of a Judge in a surfing contest is to decide which surfer performs closest to the judging criteria in a particular heat. It is therefore essential that the judge's have the knowledge, confidence and finally the experience to obtain the correct results.

The accreditation course is conducted over a day in a formal teaching venue. Participants of the course become an accredited level 1 club Judge and Official.

As a pre-requisite for the higher accreditation levels the course participant must provide 20 hours of judging experience under a qualified Surfing Australia head judge. After completing these hours and finalising the necessary paper work course participants will be accredited with a level 2 State Judge and Official. Level 2 Judges can apply for the level 3 International Judging accreditation at any time.

This higher level accreditation will give access to the ISA Judging exchange program and the ability to judge at all ISA sanctioned events and in countries that are currently running the International Judging Development program. There are currently 18 countries that are partners in our global development program.

For further inquiries about the next Judging course in your area please contact your state branch.

For inquiries and more information please contact the Surfing Australia Judging manager/ ISA Judging Coordinator.

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