



## LICENSED OFFICIALS DEPARTMENT



USEF Licensed Official or Licensed Official Applicant,

We understand the effects of COVID-19 not only within our equestrian community, but also our daily lives, are massive. As a licensed official, you are integral part of the competition environment and therefore have a direct connection with USEF's decision to recommend that competition managers cancel or postpone Federation licensed competitions. We greatly appreciate those of you who have joined us in our community-wide effort to responsibly address the COVID-19 virus outbreak.

In order to help address your concerns as licensed officials or applicants, the Licensed Officials Department is taking the following actions:

- All licensed officials with an officiating maintenance requirement will receive an automatic extension. This allows affected licensed officials to meet their officiating maintenance requirements by **November 30, 2021**, rather than November 30, 2020.
- If a continuing education clinic is cancelled due to COVID-19, all registered clinic attendees who were attending for maintenance will receive a clinic extension. This allows the affected licensed officials to meet their clinic maintenance requirements by **November 30, 2021**, rather than November 30, 2020.
- If a Steward participating in the Steward License Maintenance Program (LMP) was planning to complete a measurement exam at a competition that has been cancelled or postponed, and they are unable to reschedule for later in the competition year, then they may request a measurement extension to the Licensed Officials Department at [loinquiry@usef.org](mailto:loinquiry@usef.org).
- If any licensed official applicants require more time to complete their requirements due to COVID-19, they may request a one-year extension to the Licensed Officials Department at [loinquiry@usef.org](mailto:loinquiry@usef.org).
  - Please note this opportunity would not apply to application requirements that would not be affected by COVID-19 (e.g. online exams, online courses, webinars, etc.).

In addition, President Murray Kessler, through his Presidential Modification authority, has allowed us to provide waivers to rules that may be affected by COVID-19. The Licensed Officials Department is taking the following actions:

- Stewards and Technical Delegates – GR1034 rotation rules may be waived for competitions that were affected by COVID-19 or if you experience a cancellation or

postponement as a contracted Steward or TD. Please reach out to me at [abrazzil@usef.org](mailto:abrazzil@usef.org) for assistance.

- Judges – Rotation rules may be waived for competitions that were affected by COVID-19 or if you experience a cancellation or postponement as a contracted Judge. Please reach out to me at [abrazzil@usef.org](mailto:abrazzil@usef.org) for assistance.
- Guest Cards fees are being refunded in full for cancelled competitions.

If you have any questions, please contact me at [abrazzil@usef.org](mailto:abrazzil@usef.org). I appreciate your understanding during this difficult time and wish the best of health to you and your families.

Thank you,

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