



## **WES Policy on UKCC Instructors wishing to apply for WES Approval Revised November 2014**

It is now 6 years since The Western Equestrian Society recognises the UKCC Level 2 (FEI) coaching certificate as a qualification towards gaining approval for inclusion on the Society's Approved List of Instructors at Level 2. During this time it has become apparent that changes to policy are required to clarify the exception the UKCC gives to enable someone to become a WES Approved Instructor.

From 1<sup>st</sup> November 2014 in order to become a WES approved instructor a UKCC coach must:-

- 1) Have been a full member of the Western Equestrian Society for a minimum of 1 year of continuous membership prior to their application.
- 2) Have undergone and passed the UKCC Western Assessment Level 2 or above.
- 3) Pay an application fee of £75
- 4) Have undertaken and passed a Western Equestrian Society Rulebook Test
- 5) Have attended a WES Judges Seminar prior to approval or attend the next available Seminar following approval. Failure to attend the seminar will result in the removal of the Instructor from the list until such time they attend a suitable seminar (\*see note below)

Upon application the Instructor will be required to comply with all rules of the Western Equestrian Society relating to membership of the Approved list including maintaining Society membership, attendance on an approved Child Protection Course and providing proof of insurance and First Aid on an annual basis.

An Instructor must be a continuous member of WES for at least 1 year prior to that Instructor being considered for upgrading within the WES Levels

*\*If an Instructor ceases to be a WES Member for whatever reason, or fails to comply with any of the requirements in respect of their instructor status which results in their removal from the WES Approved list then the only way they can be considered for approval back onto the list will be via the full WES Instructors assessment.*

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