PJ / SBJ / JJ Bursary Rules

Eligibility and Claim Guidance for Trainee Judges

For the purposes of the Bursary Scheme, **PJ, SBJ and JJ are all classed as Trainee Judges**.
The bursary is intended to support Trainee Judges and to help Clubs widen the pool of judges they can realistically invite.

How Much Can Be Claimed

- Each Club may claim **up to £200 per show** in Trainee Judges expenses.
- This is a **per Club limit**, not a per judge limit.
- The £200 may be claimed in either of the following ways:
    - **One Trainee Judge**, claiming up to a maximum of £200, or
    - **Multiple Trainee Judges**, with their combined expenses claimed up to a maximum total of £200.

This applies equally to **All Breed and Breed shows**.

Core Eligibility Rule

For clarity:

- **A Trainee Judge is eligible for a Bursary at any show**, **unless** the show is an **All Breed show and** the Trainee Judge is **qualified to judge Olympian classes** at that show.

In that specific situation only, the bursary cannot be claimed.

All Breed Shows

- A Trainee Judge **is eligible** for the Bursary at an All Breed show **provided they are not Olympian qualified**.
- If a Trainee Judge **is qualified to judge Olympian classes** at an All Breed show, they are **not eligible** for a Bursary payment at that show.

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Breed Club Shows

- A Trainee Judge **may be eligible** for the Bursary at a breed club show even if they are Olympian qualified at All Breed level.
- If they are allocated classes **in their Trainee Judge capacity** at the breed club show, the Bursary **can be claimed**.

Eligibility is based on the role the judge is performing at that show.

Change of Status After Schedule Publication

- If a Trainee Judge is **eligible at the point the schedule is published**, the Bursary **may still be claimed** even if:
    - The judge is promoted to Full Judge before the show date.

Eligibility is assessed at schedule publication, not on the show day.

How to Claim

- To claim a Bursary payment, Show Managers must fill out the official Bursary form and return it long with a copy of the Judges Expense Slip to the GCCF office. All Bursary payments will be made after the show has been cleared by the office. The maximum any one club can claim is £200.
- PJ/SBJ/JJ judge expenses can be split across clubs if they are judging eligible classes on the same show day.

Key Principle

- The Bursary follows the **training role** being undertaken at the show.
- It supports progression and experience for trainee judges and is not intended to subsidise judges acting as Full Judges.

If there is any uncertainty, Show Managers should contact the GCCF Office before finalising schedules.