



TWFI Judges & Referee Training Policy 2008

The Tug of War Federation of India (TWFI) holds judges, referees, officials, recorders, and timekeeper examinations every two years, which include theory written tests and practical tests during National Championships or separately. TWFI also conducts refresher courses, capsule courses, workshops, and clinics. The pass mark for these exams is set at a minimum of 33 percent in both theory written tests and practical tests, for both indoor and outdoor work.

Grading System :

The Tug of War Federation of India has defined the following grading system in India :

i) The Panel of TWFI Judges :

The TWFI Panel of Judges/Referees is a list of qualified judges. The Judges/Referees officiating at National/State/District championships will be selected from the list Panel of Judges/Referees. The Secretary General of TWFI publishes the list of TWFI Panel of Judges/Referees every year.

ii) Qualification for the TWFI Judges/Referees Panel :

To qualify for the TWFI Judges/Referees Panel, an individual should be a qualified TWFI Referee/Judge who has passed the course examination and holds a valid TWFI license for Judging/Referee ship. Before inclusion in the TWFI Panel of Judges/Referees, judges/referees must qualify during an official TWFI Judges/Referees course examination with an overall result of 50 percent in the examination.

iii) TWFI National/State/District Judges/Referees Course :

Eligibility for the TWFI Judges/Referees Course :

- a) Candidates should hold a B.PEd./C.P.Ed degree or a Diploma in Physical Education or have experience as a player in Tug of War with five years of participation in Senior or Junior National Tug of War Championships conducted by TWFI. Candidates must have also attended the TWFI Tug of War Clinic or any Capsule Course conducted by TWFI.
- b) Candidates should have a good knowledge of the English language. Candidates will be qualified in the TWFI Judges/Referee Course Examination with a grading system, consisting of five levels: Grade E, D, C, B, and A. (Grade A is the highest level for National Judge/Referee, Grade B and C for State Level, and Grade D and E for District level). Each member association/club of TWFI can nominate 10 officials for participation in an annual TWFI District Judges/Referees Course. The Course includes instruction on the international interpretation and implementation of the TWFI Rules for Tug of War, with written and practical exams during national competitions.

Definitions of Grading System :

Grade A Judges: Achieve 75 percent and more marks in the knowledge application test (theory plus practical of Rules and Regulation as listed in Indoor & Outdoor workouts announced by TWFI as National Judges.

Grade B Judges: Achieve 60 percent and more marks in their knowledge application test (theory plus practical of Rules and Regulation as listed in Indoor & Outdoor workouts announced by TWFI as State level Judges.

Grade C Judges: Achieve 50 percent and more marks in their knowledge application test (theory plus practical of Rules and Regulation as listed in Indoor & Outdoor workouts announced by TWFI as State level Judges.

Grade D Referee: Achieve 45 percent and more marks in their knowledge application (theory plus practical of Rules and Regulation as listed in Indoor & Outdoor workouts announced by TWFI as District Referee.

Grade E Referee/ /Recorder Referee/Time Keeper Referee: Achieve 40 percent and more marks in their knowledge application test (theory plus practical of Rules and Regulation as listed in Indoor & Outdoor workouts announced by TWFI as District level Referee, Table Recorder Referee & Table Time Keeper Referee.

Grade F Technical Official : Achieve 33 percent and more marks in their knowledge application test (theory plus practical of Rules and Regulation as listed in Indoor & Outdoor workouts announced by TWFI as Technical Officials.

Disqualification:

State Presidents/Secretaries/District Presidents/Secretaries of Tug of War Associations are not eligible to join the Referee/Judges Examination.

iv) License for Judging/Refereeship:

A license for Judging/Refereeship will be issued by TWFI with validity for up to two years.

License fee of Judges/Referee

A license fee of Rs. 3000/- for two years will be payable to TWFI.

Renewal of License for Judging/Refereeship: Eligibility for renewal of the license requires that the candidate attends the TWFI Judge/Referee Refresher Course within three years from the date of the issued license.

Cancellation of License :

- i) If a license holder has not attended any Refresher Course within three years, TWFI will not grant the renewal of their license for Judging/Refereeship.
- ii) The Executive Committee of TWFI is empowered to suspend or expel a Judge/Referee from further officiating in National/State/District Tug of War events if they are involved in any of the following activities:

- a) Involvement in any act of indiscipline.
- b) Direct or indirect support of any team during the competition.
- c) Failure to follow proper scheduled uniform for officials.
- d) Violation of the bedtime hour after consuming alcohol.

v) Refresher Courses:

At each TWFI Judges/Referees course, a maximum of ten (10) Judges/Referees from the TWFI Panel of Judges will retake the TWFI Judges/Referees course. Judges from the TWFI Panel of Judges will be invited by rotation to ensure all judges on the Panel have the opportunity to enhance and improve their judging proficiency. Judges failing to attend the Refresher Course without acceptable justification and judges not qualifying in the examination of the Refresher Course will be removed from the TWFI Panel of Judges. In case a judge, for justifiable reason, is unable to attend a Refresher Course, they will take the next available Refresher Course, with a maximum period of two years between Refresher Courses.

vi) Assessment of Proficiency of Referees/Judges:

- (a) **By Observer:** During TWFI Championships, each TWFI Judge/Referee will be observed by a qualified person. Immediately after the observation, the Judge/Referee will be informed of their performance in judging, with the aim of improving their proficiency and performance. The observer shall be appointed by the TWFI Executive.
- (b) **By Evaluators:** Each TWFI Judge/Referee will be evaluated during their work in the championships by two appointed TWFI evaluators. The evaluators will be appointed by the TWFI Executive. The evaluation report will indicate whether the performance of the Judge/Referee was in conformity with the required standard or below standard. TWFI Judges/Referees will be informed of the evaluation results by the evaluators. In case a TWFI Judge/Referee has been evaluated three times with a proficiency result below standard, they will be removed from the Panel of TWFI Judges.

vii) TWFI Timekeeper/Recorders Panel:

a. The Panel :

The TWFI Panel of Timekeeper/Recorders referees is a list of qualified national recorders.

b. Qualification to be Included in the TWFI Timekeeper/Recorders Panel:

Before inclusion in the TWFI Panel of Timekeeper/Recorder Referees, timekeeper/recorder referees must qualify during an official TWFI Timekeeper/Recorder course.

c. TWFI Timekeeper/Recorders Course:

TWFI has held a number of Timekeeper/Recorders Courses. Future courses will also focus on using computer programs for recording competition results.

d. Refresher Course:

In the future, these courses might be organized to ensure the required proficiency of the timekeeper/recorders while officiating at the event.

viii) All India, State, District Judges/Referee Board/Committee:

i) Formation of Judges/Referee Board/Committee:

The formation of Judges/Referee Board/Committee in All India/State and District level is a fundamental right of the Tug of War Federation of India, and the Executive Committee, TWFI is responsible for Referee/Judges development. No club, District Association, State or UT Associations, or other body of the Member Association may interfere with the Referee/Judges Board.

ii) Appointment for Referee/Judges in Referee Board:

TWFI Qualified License holder Judges/Referee will be eligible for membership of All India, State, District Judges/Referee Board/Committee, and shall be considered as a Member of the Board as a Judge/Referee. The following minimum requirements for formation of Referee/Judges Board :

Eligibility for membership of All India Judges/Referee Board/Committee

- They shall have three years working experience with officiating in five Senior National Championships as Referee/Judges in National Championships /Tournaments. He/She is Eligible for membership of All India Judges /Referee Board.
 - They shall have two years working experience with officiating in one Senior National & Two State Championships as Referee/Judges in State Championships /Tournaments. He/She is Eligible for membership of State Judges /Referee Board.
 - They shall have 1 years working experience with officiating in one Senior National & one State & one District Championships as Referee/Judges in State or District Championships /Tournaments. He/She is Eligible for membership of District Judges /Referee Board.
- iii) The minimum requirement for formation of Referee/Judges Board in each district is to have at least 10 TWFI Qualified License holder Judges/Referees."

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