

Reinstatement of Judging Status

The applicant must be approved by the local club/Conference Judges Committee to enter into the reinstatement program. The reinstatement program should be performed during the growing season in which the request was made, with the reinstatement period to be determined and monitored by the local club/Conference Judging Chair.

Reinstatement Requirements

1. Time lapsed where the member has not met requirement for maintaining judging status will be at the discretion of the local club/Conference Judging Chair.
2. Membership in a local club and the American Dahlia Society is mandatory before requesting reinstatement to a previously held judging status.
3. The applicant should be demoted to the next lower level of judging status (Senior Judge lowered to Accredited Judge) as stated in the requirements for Maintaining Judging status. Previous judging status must be verified by the Judging Committee.

Once the Applicant has completed the above requirement, they may commence the Training Section.

Training Requirement

1. Attend a judging class which is being presented by a local club/conference.
2. Show and Judge in two (2) ADS sanctioned shows.
3. Judge four (4) Seedlings at an ADS trial garden or on the seedling bench supervised by a Senior Judge. If a trial garden is not in within a reasonable distance, the applicant may perform the seedling judging at a local garden, where seedlings are grown.
4. Demonstrate to a minimum of two (2) Senior Judges their ability to judge all forms of dahlias.
5. When all above items are completed, the applicant may retake the senior test. The manner the test is given will be determined by the local club/conference Judging Chair.

If an applicant for reinstatement has been listed as an Honorary Judge and is requesting to be reinstated as a Senior/Candidate Judge, they must have maintained their membership in the local club and American Dahlia Society continuously. The Honorary Judge requesting reinstatement should be demoted to the accredited/candidate status for the time period it takes to complete the reinstatement requirements. They must follow all requirements set down for reinstatement as stated above for the Training Section.