

SPF Judges Assessment Day

The purpose of the SPF Judges Assessment Day is to ascertain if you are ready to be added to the SPF's 'B' List of Accredited Judges details of which will be listed in the SPF Directory.

How to Apply

This day is only open to members of SPF affiliated Clubs. A 'Questionnaire for Prospective SPF Judges' must be completed before we will add you to the next Assessment Day list. We will use the Questionnaire to assess if you already have the necessary knowledge and experience to benefit from the Assessment Day before adding you to the waiting list.

If we feel that you require more practical or photographic experience before being invited to attend; we may invite you instead to go on to our non-accredited SPF 'C' List of Judges, to gain further experience.

If successful in being added to the next Assessment Day waiting list, you will be added to our non-accredited SPF 'C' List of Judges, while you wait. The date of the next SPF Assessment Day will only be set once we have the minimum required number of applicants on the waiting list to run. You will be notified of that date, and given first refusal on any places on a first come, first served basis before the Day is advertised.

In either case; those added to the 'C' List are encouraged to get any Clubs you visit to complete 'Feedback Forms' on your Judging, which may help to aid your progress on to a future Assessment Day, or on to the 'B' List of Accredited Judges.

What to Expect

During the Assessment Day we will discuss with you the pleasures and pitfalls of Judging, what clubs will expect, what you should expect and we will discuss presentation skills.

During the morning the Assessors will discuss the art of Judging. You will be asked to bring along 10 of your own mounted prints - colour and/or monochrome. Each participant will be given 10 minutes to talk about their own prints, which will be timed. Feedback will be given on your presentation skills.

Then, just before lunch, you will be given 10/12 prints that you have not seen. Each participant will be given time to assess them during lunch and mark them out of 20.

During the afternoon you will be asked to Judge these prints as if it was at a small Camera Club. Each participant will be allowed 10 minutes for this presentation which again will be timed. Again feedback may be given on your 'Judging'.

At the end of the day the assessors will not make any comments as to whether or not you may be invited on to the SPF 'B' List of accredited Judges. This will be informed to you as soon as possible after the Assessment Day.

If we feel that you require more practical or photographic experience before being invited on to our 'B' List we may invite you instead to remain on our non-accredited SPF 'C' List of Judges, to gain further experience. Again; If on the 'C' List you will be encouraged to get any Clubs you visit to complete 'Feedback Forms' on your Judging, which may help to aid your progress on to the 'B' List without having to return to another Assessment Day.