

# Pre-Requisites for attending a Judges Seminar

A candidate for an International Judges Seminar will:

## Experience

- Be an experienced racing sailor
- Be a certified national judge or have successfully completed a WS International Judges Clinic.
- Have extensive protest committee experience at local and national levels. • Have been the chairperson of protest committees.

## Knowledge

- Have studied the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- Have studied the Judges Manual, WS Cases and the Rule 42 Interpretations with a thorough understanding of protest committee procedures
- Understand race committee procedures and scoring.
- Have answered the study questions and understood the rules that apply.

## Abilities

- Be able to converse, read and write in English.
- Given a description and diagram of a situation, be able to write a protest decision, using the language of the racing rules.
- Given the facts found in a protest hearing, be able to prepare a diagram of the incident.
- Be able to conduct a protest hearing, collect evidence, find facts, apply rules to facts and reach a reasoned decision.
- Be able to review and comment constructively on a notice of race and the sailing instructions.

## Additional qualifications (optional, but preferable)

- Have on-the-water experience judging rule 42.
- Have served on an international jury.