

AIS Judges Report

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In the 14 years that I have been the AIS Judge's Training Chair, this has one of the most challenging in terms of getting reports from the regions - two in particular. The Region 12 JT chair has been unresponsive - doesn't return emails or phone calls. I am recommending a new JT chair for this region; in the meantime, I am recommending that all Region 12 judges be approved for reinstatement, as all but 2 meet the requirements without regard to the 2015-2016 period. The Region 21 JT chair resigned rather abruptly and instructed the judges to send their activity reports directly to me - all but 2 did. This region also needs to appoint a new JT Chair who will perform his/her duties as required. Three region JT chairs were over a week late submitting their reports to me, causing me to run late in preparing my report for the Board.

Current Status of Judges

There are 481 fully accredited judges being recommended for re-appointment and 34 apprentice judges being recommended for appointment for 2017. This is compared to 485 fully accredited judges and 38 apprentices for 2016. A comparison by status 2017 to 2016 is listed below.

Status	2017	2016	Change
Apprentices	34	38	- 4
Garden/Exhibition	226	231	-5
Master	204	201	+3
Emeritus	36	37	-1
Overseas	15	16	-1
Retired	124	133	-9

Number of Fully Accredited Judges and Apprentices by Region:

Region	# (2017 / 2016)	Region	# (2017 / 2016)	Region	# (2017 / 2016)
1	22 / 22	9	22 / 25	18	33 / 36
2	25 / 30	10	7 / 7	20	15 / 14
3	9 / 10	11	12 / 13	21	15 / 14
4	23 / 25	12	15 / 15	22	27 / 28
5	26 / 25	13	44 / 45	23	18 / 17
6	30 / 29	14	50 / 51	24	4 / 3
7	31 / 32	15	32 / 24	OS	15 / 16
8	12 / 12	17	28 / 30		

Judges' Status By Region

Region	A	G/E	M	E	Total		Region	A	G/E	M	E	Total
1	0	5	15	2	22		12	1	7	7	0	15
2	1	9	15	0	25		13	2	19	15	8	44
3	0	3	6	0	9		14	5	26	15	4	50
4	1	10	9	3	23		15	9	12	11	0	32
5	2	11	11	2	26		17	1	15	10	2	28
6	2	15	10	3	30		18	0	14	14	5	33
7	1	17	12	1	31		20	1	7	5	2	15
8	1	9	2	0	12		21	1	8	6	0	15
9	4	4	14	0	22		22	1	10	14	2	27
10	0	5	2	0	7		23	1	9	7	1	18
11	0	9	3	0	12		24	0	2	1	1	4