



Prairie Pipe Band Association of Manitoba Criteria for Adjudicator Certification

- ◆ All Manitoba adjudicators must be members of the PPBAM.
- ◆ The following are guidelines of minimum requirements and do not guarantee certification.
- ◆ After meeting these requirements, a candidate must apprentice judge for a minimum of 3 contests in their area of specialty. (For example, if a candidate wishes to be a solo **and** band piping adjudicator he/she must apprentice judge for **both** solo and band events.) The placing and comments will be evaluated by the mentor judge and he/she will make a recommendation to the Director of Contests and Judging regarding the candidate's competency.

- ◆ A certificate – adjudicator is qualified to judge all grade levels
- ◆ B certificate – adjudicator is qualified to judge only grade levels up to and including Grade 2 in solo competitions and Grade 3 in band competitions.

Solo Piping / Drumming Criteria	
A Certificate*	B Certificate
Have been a solo competitor for a minimum of 10 years.	Have been a solo competitor for a minimum of 7 years.
Be a professional caliber solo player for a minimum of 3 years.	Be at least a Grade 1 caliber solo player for a minimum of 3 years.
Have had a reasonable amount of success in solo competitions.	Have had a reasonable amount of success in solo competitions.
Be current and active in teaching, band playing, and/or studying.	Be current and active in teaching, band playing, and/or studying.
* Tenor and Bass Drumming Judge must fulfill the same qualifications as the A Certificate Judge.	
Band Piping / Drumming Criteria	
These are in addition to the criteria for solo piping / drumming.	
A Certificate	B Certificate
Have played for a minimum of 3 years in Grade 1 band, or have played a leadership role for a minimum of 5 years in at least a Grade 2 band with reasonable competitive success..	Have played for a minimum of 3 years in at least a Grade 2 band, or have played a leadership role in a band for a minimum of 7 years with reasonable competitive success.
Ensemble	
These are in addition to the criteria for band piping / drumming.	
Have been a Pipe Major or Lead Drummer, or held a senior teaching position in a band, for a number of years, and have an understanding of both instruments.	