

I want to become a judge, but I don't know where to start.

We have all been there! The first place you need to start is USA Gymnastics.

<https://usagym.org/pages/index.html>

Create a member login and watch the You Tube Video on how to become a judge:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=drvIFu5FwyQ&feature=youtu.be>

1. Let your SJD ([lindailsjd@gmail.com](mailto:lindailsjd@gmail.com) ) / Education Chair ([educationgeb@gmail.com](mailto:educationgeb@gmail.com) ) know that you are interested in testing.
2. Purchase the materials that you need to study for the exam.
  - Compulsory Exam: purchase the JO Compulsory Book and DVD
  - Optional Exam: purchase the JO Code of Points  
<https://usagym.org/pages/women/events/jocompulsories/>
3. Find a Clinic / Congress to attend and learn more about judging
4. Contact a local gym to observe routines or view routines on YouTube.
5. Study, Study, Study!!

Once you are prepared for the test it is time to sign up for the test. The entry level tests are compulsory 4-5 and optional 7-8. These can be taken in your first year of judging. We recommend taking them at separate times as some of the deductions between compulsory and optional are different and can be confusing for the test. \*If you are a former Level 10 Nationals Qualifier or elite athlete or coach, be sure to contact your SJD. You will be able to start testing at a higher level.

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[https://usagym.org/pages/women/pages/judging\\_accreditation.html#](https://usagym.org/pages/women/pages/judging_accreditation.html#)

Here you will be able to see tests all around the country and find a test near you! You will need to register for your test online at least one week prior or register by mail at least 2 weeks prior to the test date.

You have 4 attempts to pass the exam between Aug 1-July 31.

Good Luck!!