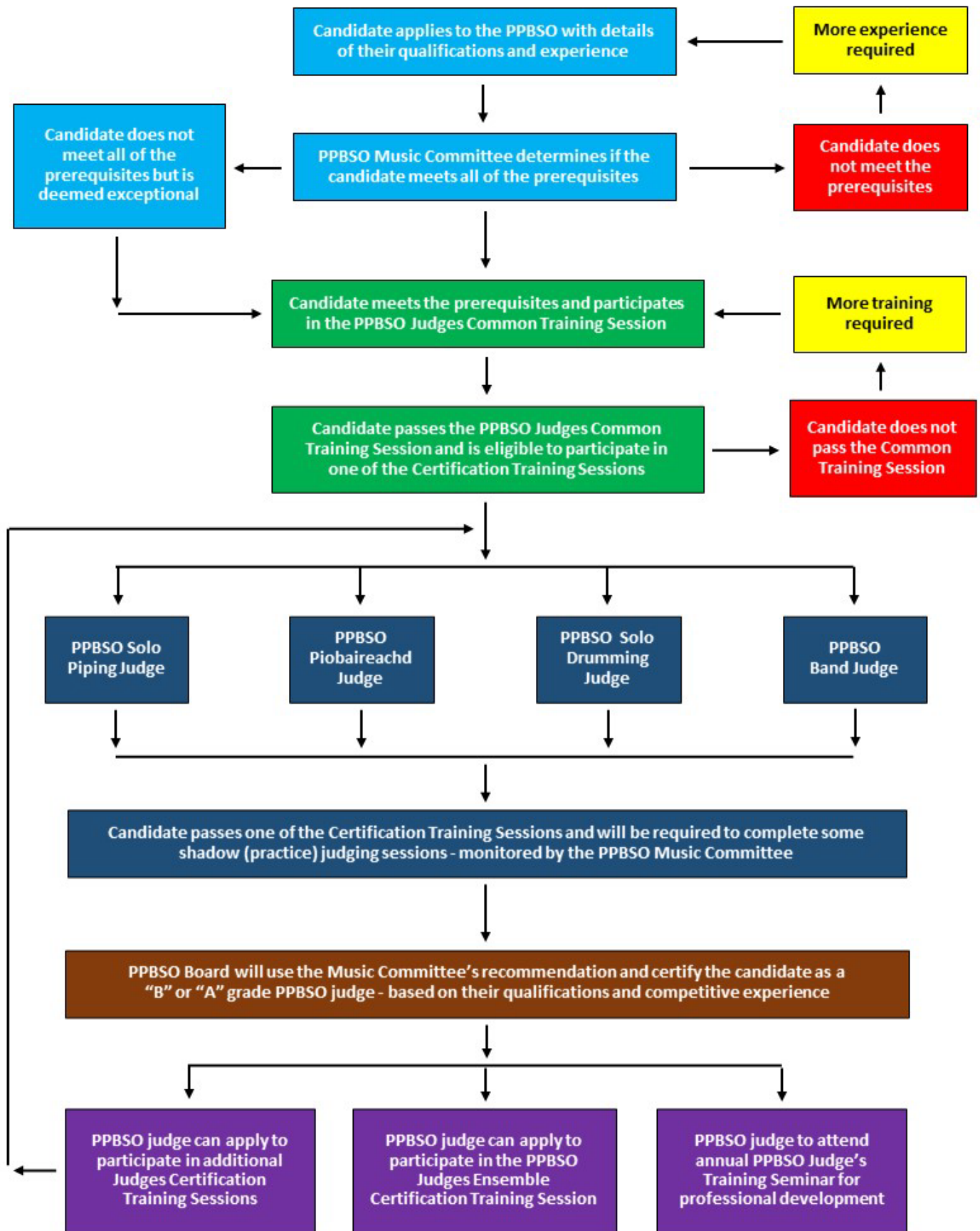


PPBSO JUDGE'S ACCREDITATION PROCESS - OVERVIEW

2025



Judging Process Timelines

October 15 th	Deadline for applications for new judges to be submitted to admin@ppbso.org
December 1 st	PPBSO Judges Common Training Session to be completed
April 1 st	All applicable PPBSO Judges Training Sessions to be completed (based on applications submitted)
August 31 st	PPBSO Shadow Judging Session to be completed
September 30 th	PPBSO to certify judges with an "A" or "B" certification

Common Training Session

As there are several aspects that are similar for all PPBSO judges, there will be a dedicated Common Training Session where these aspects will be covered.

This training will be a requirement for every prospective PPBSO judge and will be conducted in the form of a 3-hour seminar that will be broken into four sections:

1. Discussion: Being a PPBSO Judge
2. Discussion: Judging strategies
3. Evaluation: Repertoire
4. Evaluation: Musical literacy

PPBSO judges will only need to complete this training session once.

Certification Training Sessions

There will be a separate training outline and training session for each of the following judging certifications:

- PPBSO Band - Piping judge
- PPBSO Band - Snare Drumming judge
- PPBSO Band - Mid-Section Drumming judge
- PPBSO Solo Piping Judge
- PPBSO Piobaireachd Judge
- PPBSO Solo Snare Drumming Judge
- PPBSO Solo Bass and Tenor Drumming Judge
- PPBSO Ensemble Judge