

From Sarah Bartko in earning her USDF Recorded Technical Delegate License:

It's been a long road to obtain my TD Recorded license and have been working at it for the past five years.

I was lucky that I started working the dressage circuit twenty five or more years ago in Palm Beach when CFD used to host the major CDI's under **Robert Higgins**. I started as a Ring Steward along with **Sandra Trussell**.

When **Klaus Fraessdorf** started his show circuit in Orlando we both were hired year after year and learned the many different jobs of running a horseshow. Klaus's philosophy was that if someone canceled or was late to work his show, everyone could do everyone else's job (with some success) if we had to. So we were exposed to quite an education from scribe, ring steward, secretary, hospitality, announcer, awards....whatever.

After many, many years of doing this, Sandra and I were invited to be Ring Stewards at The Atlanta Olympics. We both got to watch the management up close and personal for such a major event and I think we both got hooked and set our sights on show management. Sandra is one of the largest Secretaries for Dressage today and I chose the path of TD. I had a lot of guidance from **Klaus Fraessdorf** and also **Carol Bulmer** who has been a major influence on me now. I thank them all for helping me achieve my goal.