

This is from Equine Canada regarding the **Make Ethical Decisions** test that needs to be completed by all coaches:

The Coaching Association of Canada (CAC) created and implemented the Make Ethical Decisions (MED) on-line evaluation for all Canadian coaches in 2006. Each coach has access to the on-line evaluation twice for free as well there is an on-line pre-test which provides coaches with an excellent practice session prior to taking the on-line evaluation. CAC set up the MED on-line evaluation with the intent that it would be completed after a coach has completed the Make Ethical Decisions workshop which is presently available through your provincial coaching association and is offered as part of the NCCP multi-sport - Part A or the NCCP Equestrian Theory Course. However, I have spoke with many coaches who preferred to go straight to the on-line evaluation and if they were not successful after the first attempt, they accessed the training that is available in the Make Ethical Decisions workshop before trying the on-line evaluation a second time. If you are interested in accessing a Make Ethical Decisions workshop in your region prior to taking the MED on-line evaluation you can access information about these workshops through your Provincial coaching association.

The MED module introduces a process and provides Canadian coaches with tools to make thoughtful and responsible decisions in situations that present ethical or moral dilemmas. By participating in the MED on-line evaluation you will (1) have solid arguments to make decisions on sensitive issues and (2) feel confident to fully assume the consequences of your decisions, knowing that "it was the right thing to do under the circumstances." In addition, by completing the on-line MED evaluation this will assist in ensuring that a coach's profile is activated and transferred into the new NCCP coaching database structure.

As the MED on-line evaluation is a CAC application and accessed through the CAC website (<http://nccpeval.coach.ca/production/med/e/default.asp>) Equine Canada does not control the management of this application. Thus I would request that if anyone has any technical difficulties regarding the MED on-line evaluation or you have any questions about the technology being used, please contact Lesley Brownlee, Coordinator of Information Systems at lbrownlee@coach.ca. Lesley will provide you with technical assistance or will forward your feedback to CAC to help improve the online evaluation tool.