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EADC COMPETITION RULES

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1. DISCIPLINE DESCRIPTION:

Ballroom dancing is a discipline in which dancers, solo dancers, couples or groups of dancers or couples (bands, dance formations) compete in standard dances or latin american dances, using a strictly defined dance technique, in interpretation consistent with the nature of individual dances, to specific music , striving to achieve the best artistic expression.

Dance competition is comparative.

2. DEFINITIONS:

Within the meaning of these provisions:

2.1. **a dancer** is a person who register to an EADC member

2.2 **the dance couple** consists of two dancers of different sexes.

- 2.3. **the organizer** is an institution or a private person to whom the EADC Presidium granted the right to organize the competition
- 2.4. **An adjudicator** is a person holds a valid WDC adjudicators license or valid domestic adjudicator licence by EADC member.

3. TYPES OF COMPETITIONS AND AGE GROUPS:

3.1. Amateur - (*Amateur Competition Regulations*):

- **couples:**
 - Juvenile:
 - * Kids: under 8 = 7 years or younger on the year of the competition.
 - Juvenile 1 - under 10 = 9 years or younger on the year of the competition.
 - Juvenile 2 - under 12 = 11 years or younger on the year of the competition.
 - Junior :
 - Junior 1 - under 14 = 13 years or younger on the year of the competition.
 - Junior 2 - under 16 = 15 years or younger on the year of the competition.
 - Youth :
 - Youth 1 - under 19 = 18 years or younger on the year of the competition.
 - Youth 2 - under 21 = 20 years or younger on the year of the competition.
 - Adult : 19 years or older on the year of the competition.
 - Senior :
 - Senior 1- over 35 = 35_years or older in the year of the competition.
 - Senior 2- over 45 = 45 years or older in the year of the competition.
 - Senior 3- over 55 = 55 years or older in the year of the competition.
 - Senior 4- over 65 = 65 years or older in the year of the competition.

In Juvenile, Junior, Youth age-groups one competitor must be within the age-restriction mentioned, another one can be younger.

In the Adult age-group one competitor of the partnership must be within the age-restriction mentioned.

In Senior age-groups one competitor of the partnership must be within the age-restriction mentioned, another one can be older.

Juvenile, Junior and Youth couples are allowed to compete one age-group above their own age-group at the discretion of the organizer only.

Senior-couples are allowed to compete one age-group below their own age-group.

- Formations :
 - Juvenile
 - Junior
 - Youth
 - Adults

- Solo Dance
 - Kids
 - Juvenile 1
 - Juvenile 2
 - Junior 1
 - Junior 2
 - Youth
 - Adult

4. DANCE STYLES:

- ballroom dances (ST) presented in the following order :
 - waltz (W),
 - tango (T),
 - viennese waltz (VW),
 - foxtrot (F),
 - quickstep (Q)
- latin american dances (LA) presented in the following order:
 - cha cha cha (CH),
 - samba (S),
 - rumba (R),
 - paso doble (PD),
 - jive (JV);
- 10 dances
- ballroom showcase
- latin american showcase
- ballroom dance formations
- latin american dance formations
- combination of dances (in one, two, three or four ballroom and latin american dances according to the competition regulations).

5. TITLES OF DANCE COMPETITIONS:

5.1.EADC Championships: amateur, dance formations, solo, academic

5.2.EADC Grand Prix

5.3.EADC Cups

5.4.EADC Open Competition

The EADC Presidium may decide to award other titles.

Detailed procedure of each competition level can be found in EADC Competition Rules Appendixes.

6. ADJUDICATORS

6.1. For EADC Championships there should be a minimum (11) nominated adjudicators in the panel from all different countries selected by EADC Presidium.

For EADC Grand Prix there should be a minimum (9) adjudicators in the panel from all different countries and panels must be approved by EADC Presidium.

For EADC Cups and Open Competitions there should be a minimum of seven (7) adjudicators up to the discretion of organizer.

6.2. A Chairman (non-voting or voting) must be appointed by EADC Presidium and is responsible for the control of competitions

6.3.All adjudicators must hold a valid WDC adjudicators license or valid domestic adjudicator licence of member EADC.

6.4.Organizer of EADC Championships provided hotel, meals, minimum 200.- euro fee per day and cover travel expences of nominated adjudicators. For other EADC competition levels conditions could be sudjested by organizer.

7. RULES FOR PARTICIPATION IN COMPETITIONS

7.1. Dancers and couples from EADC member organizations can take part in dance competitions organized by EADC and be nominated for EADC Championships. Dancers and couples associated with other dance organizations can take part in EADC Grand Prix, Cups and Open.

7.2. A dancer or couple who wants to be included in the EADC Ranking System is required to register in the EADC Database.

7.3.Only dancers and couples of EADC members who have paid the current membership fees can be included in the ranking and EADC Database and nominated for EADC Championships.

7.4. Each EADC Full member organization may nominate 2 couples for each EADC Championships. EADC Entrance (Associated) member organization may nominate 1 couple for each EADC Championship. Hosting country may nominate more than 2 couples.

7.5. According to EADC Ranking System couples may receive „Wild cards” to be nominated for EADC Championships on top of member-organization’s nomination limit. Amount of „Wild cards” is under decision of EADC Presidium.

7.6. If dancers representing a country where EADC has no member organization, they may apply for „Welcome card” to participate at EADC Championships. Entry Fee then apply and must be paid to EADC account.

8. EADC CENTRAL DATABASE.

8.1 All necessary personal data of the dancers are recorded in the EADC Central Database in accordance with the principles of personal data protection.

8.2 Every dancer must provide information below:

- identification number (ID)
- personal data
- couple statement
- club and organizational affiliation
- annual contributions entitling to register in the EADC ranking
- results achieved
- suspensions and disqualifications

8.3. EADC Central Database should be run and updated made by Local Administrators.

9. RULES FOR ORGANIZING DANCE COMPETITIONS.

9.1. Authorization to organize EADC dance competitions is obtained on the basis of an authorization granted by the Presidium EADC, provided that they are conducted in accordance with these Rules.

9.2. Applying and approving dance competitions:

9.2.1. Competitions for the EADC Events Calendar are entered by decisions of EADC Presidium.

9.2.2. Every organizer applying to include a competition in EADC Events calendar must pay a certain fee determined by EADC Presidium.

9.2.3. Applications must be submitted on the EADC Application form for EADC Championships and Grand Prix minimum 6 months in advance and for EADC Cups and Open Competitions 3 months in advance.

9.2.4. The Applicant will receive EADC Presidium decision within 10 days.

9.2.5. Approved competitions will be entered into the EADC Events Calendar.

9.2.6. In each EADC member country, only one EADC competition can take place on the same day.

10. FINAL PROVISIONS.

10.1. In case of anything is not covered by these Rules, the Presidium EADC will decide each time.

10.2. EADC Presidium members are entitled to check every EADC competition in accordance to these Rules.

10.3. EADC Presidium must appoint an EADC Inspector for each Championships and Grand Prix. This person has the obligation to supervise a proper conduct of competition and has power to take necessary actions. In case of violation of these EADC Rules he have to report to the Chairman of Adjudicators or the Organizer of the Competition and must report to EADC Presidium.

If no EADC Inspector has been appointed the Chairman of Adjudicators have to take over this responsibility.

Detailed rules of conduct in individual disciplines and types of dance competitions are set out: in following Appendixes:

Amateur Competition Rules with Annex 1

Group Competition Regulations.

EADC Championship Regulations.

Regulations of the EADC Dance Formation Championships.

Regulations of the EADC Academic Championships.

EADC Cup Regulations.

EADC Grand Prix Regulations

