

EDI General Information and Guidelines

Partnerships

Partnerships must consist of a man and a lady - no same sex partnerships will be allowed. Solo Lady events are available for ladies who do not have a male partner. Solo Lady events are only open to ladies who are not dancing any events with a partner.

Event Eligibility

Open couples may dance up to three events in any one style (but only 2 events per age category), and couples doing open in a given style may not do syllabus in that same style. Also, couples doing open are ineligible for newcomer events but may do "bonus" events as long as they are not competing open in the same style as the bonus event.

Event Pricing

Solo Ladies Events are \$2.50/event.

Syllabus Events are \$5/event per couple.

Open Events are \$10/event per couple.

Team Entries are \$30 per entry.

Late Fees

Registration without a late fee is due March 31st, 2024. After March 31st, a \$10 late fee per entry form will be added. Late Registration closes April 10th. After April 10th, a \$20 late fee per entry will be added and additional entries will only be allowed if no additional heat is created.

Guidelines for Team Entries

Coaches, we are wanting to give teams an opportunity to compete and dance without a lot of restriction, so our guidelines are a little more flexible to make this happen. We have listed a few guidelines below for you to follow when registering, but if you have any questions, please feel free to contact us. Also, please contact us if you have routines that will be competing against one another in the regular showdance categories, for example two Youth Latin Showdance numbers. We would need to be sure to arrange the schedule so that your students have time to change. Here are the general guidelines.

1. **Large group** routines consist of **more than 10 couples**.
2. For any team category, **multiple songs/dances are allowed**. Generally, the length of the routine needs to be between three and four minutes. You will include the length of the routine when you register so that we can set our schedule accordingly.
3. **Novelty** numbers would consist of any routines that have **props** in them or are different than the ballroom norm. Also, **if you have two large group numbers from the same team, you could put one of them in the novelty category just so they don't have to compete against themselves**.
4. There is no registration for large groups in the Junior Showdance category because generally we don't need them for that group. Please let us know if you have junior show teams that would fall into the large group category so we can figure out our options.
5. **Cabaret** category can have any number of couples, it just must be a true cabaret that consists mainly of lifts with dancing. Routines that have 3 lifts or less are not considered cabaret.

Costume Rules EDI

ATTIRE FOR SCHOOL SYLLABUS EVENTS - GIRLS

Girls entered in all School Syllabus events must dress as listed below.

1. A black skirt and a black top must be worn

2. Skirts

- (a) Plain or pleated with minimum 1 to maximum 3 half circles. One plain simple underskirt allowed which is no larger or longer than top layer, and is the same or similar color as the outer skirt
- (b) No uneven hem lines, use of boning, frills, splits, openings, fishing line, horsehair, or edging (including "lettuce edging"). Edging or trim of any kind, including ribbon, satin, lace, sequins, etc, is not allowed. A simple hem is required.
- (c) Length of skirt must be at least knee length.

3. Bodice

- (a) Necklines: Boat, high neck, v-neck, sweetheart, 'peter pan' collar, and regular collar are allowed. No lowcut necklines. Edging or trim of any kind, including ribbon, satin, lace, sequins, etc, is not allowed on the neckline
- (b) Gathering or shirring on the bodice in parallel rows is not allowed
- (c) Edging or trim on the bodice is not allowed

4. Sleeves

- (a) Long, short, elbow length, cap, puff. or sleeveless styles are allowed
- (b) Cannot be replaced by trimmings, frills, or edging on the shoulder line
- (c) No "finger loops" allowed

5. Materials

- (a) No glitter, metallic thread, or fabric creating pattern effects
- (c) No use of feathers, fringes, bows, belts, frills or sequins
- (d) Any use of color coordinated 'see through' fabric must be lined from waist to shoulder; for use on arms no lining is needed
- (e) Lace (or similar fabric) is not allowed. Lycra, spandex, polyester, velvet, satin or jersey is encouraged.

6. Shoes and Socks

(a) Shoes - Elementary School girls must wear shoes with heels that are no higher than 1.5 inches, including if they dance up a level. Junior High School and High School girls are not restricted by any heel height.

(b) Socks: White ankle socks (lace allowed), natural colored pantyhose, or fishnet tights.

7. Trunks

(a) Trunks are required if the movement of the skirt would reveal this area.

8. Accessories, jewelry, and makeup

(a) No use of arm bands, chokers or headbands

(b) No decoration is allowed on dress or in hair

(c) No jewelry is allowed, other than one simple earring in each ear (no dangling earrings allowed)

(d) Neutral or lightly shaded lipstick is allowed for Elementary School girls, as well as mascara and blush. Elementary School girls are not allowed to wear eye liner, eye shadow, false eyelashes, lip liner, and severe or extreme colors of lipstick (including, but not limited to, hot pink, red, black, brown, etc). Competition makeup is allowed for Junior High School and High School girls.

ATTIRE FOR SCHOOL SYLLABUS EVENTS - BOYS

Boys entered in all School Syllabus events must dress as listed below.

1. Trousers

(a) Must be black

(b) High waist optional (c) Underfoot strap optional (d) Satin stripes are allowed.

2. Shirts

(a) Plain white long sleeved collared shirt only (no wing collars)

(b) No pleats or ribbing

(c) Sleeves to be worn at wrist length

3. Sweaters and vests are not allowed.

4. Tie - Black color only, may be either straight or bow

5. Socks - Black only

6. Shoes- no restrictions

7. Materials - Fabrics must be plain, ie: cotton, polyester, cotton/polyester blend, wool blend

(a) No satin or shiny fabrics

(b) No rhinestones, glitter, metallic thread, patterns or sequins allowed (c) Decorations - not allowed

8. Makeup - Not allowed

9. Hairstyle - Long hair must be worn in a pony tail

ATTIRE FOR OPEN PRE-TEEN EVENTS – GIRLS

1. Skirt with top or simple dress with attached under garment or leotard top with full skirt

2. Skirts

(a) Plain or pleated with minimum 1 to maximum 3 half circles, including godets and/or extra panels. One plain simple underskirt allowed which is no larger or longer than top layer, and is the same or similar color as the outer skirt (b) No uneven hem lines, frills, splits, openings, ruffles, or sequins

(c) Horsehair/Crinoline may be used only inside the hem of the skirt

(d) Ribbon on the skirt is acceptable, but no other trim is allowed

(e) Length of skirt must not be shorter than 3 inches above the knee cap and no longer than 3 inches below the knee cap

(f) At least one of the layers of the skirt must be solid (not sheer)

3. Bodice

(a) Shoulderless bodices are not allowed

(b) Necklines: Boat, high neck, v-neck, sweetheart, 'peter pan' collar, and regular collar are allowed. Simple edging or trim, as well as a simple ruffle around the collar of not more than two inches, is allowed on the neckline

(c) Belting, as well as gathering or shirring is permissible from the waist down for a maximum of two inches, provided it is part of the dress itself and not an accessory

(d) Edging or trim on the bodice is not allowed

(e) No backless bodices allowed

(f) Piping is allowed provided it is no larger than 1/8 of an inch across (g) Top stitching is allowed

4. Sleeves

- (a) Long, short, elbow length, cap, puff. or sleeveless styles are allowed
- (b) Cannot be replaced by trimmings, frills, or edging on the shoulder line (c) No "finger loops" allowed
- (d) Piping is allowed provided it is no larger than 1/8 of an inch across (e) Top stitching is allowed

5. Materials

- (a) Fabrics must be one constant color throughout (b) No iridescent fabrics.
- (c) No rhinestones, glitter, pearls, appliques, patterns, sequins, or similar materials allowed
- (d) No use of feathers, fringes, bows, belts, frills or sequins
- (e) No flesh color fabric
- (f) Any use of mesh, lace, or any other 'see through' fabric must be lined in a solid material of the same color from the waist to the top of the bust line, as well as a corresponding height in the back. When mesh, lace, or any "see-through" fabric is used on the arms no lining is needed
- (g) Burnout (also called Devoré), or similar fabric, must be lined with a fabric of the same color. Lycra, spandex, polyester, plain velvet, satin or jersey is encouraged

6. Shoes and Socks

- (a) Shoes - Heel height not to exceed 1.5 inches, and must be block heel style if a dance shoe. If the shoe comes with rhinestones on the buckle then they are allowed. If the shoe comes with glitter on the shoe then it is allowed (b) Socks: White ankle socks (lace allowed), flesh colored pantyhose, or light pink or white tights must be worn (c) No Fishnet Tights

7. Accessories, jewelry, and makeup

- (a) No use of arm bands, gloves, chokers or headbands
- (b) No decoration is allowed on dress or in hair
- (c) No jewelry is allowed, other than one small earring in each ear
- (d) No makeup allowed
- (e) No spray tan, make-up, glitter, or any similar materials, etc allowed anywhere on the body.
- (f) Use of fake eyelashes, fake fingernails, colored or glitter hair spray is forbidden

ATTIRE FOR OPEN PRE-TEEN EVENTS - BOYS

1. Trousers

- (a) Black or dark blue color only
- (b) High waist optional

- (c) Underfoot strap optional
- (d) Satin stripes are allowed

2. Shirts

- (a) Plain white or black long sleeved collared shirt only. Tuxedo shirts are allowed.
- (b) No pleats or ribbing
- (c) Sleeves to be worn at wrist length

3. Black or dark blue vests are allowed, but sweaters and jackets are not allowed

4. Tie must be worn - black color only, may be either straight or bow

5. Socks - Black or dark blue color only 23

6. Shoes- Heel height not to exceed 1.5 inches (must be black) 24

7. Materials - Fabrics must be plain, ie: cotton, polyester, cotton/polyester blend, wool blend (a) No shiny fabrics

(b) No rhinestones, glitter, metallic thread, patterns or sequins allowed (c) Decorations - not allowed

8. Makeup - Not allowed

9. Hairstyle - Long hair must be worn in a pony tail

COSTUME SPECIFICATIONS FOR: ADULT AMATEUR, YOUTH, JUNIOR

WOMEN

Bodice

1. Bust must be fully covered with no plunging necklines
2. Front and sides of the bodice must be covered with a fabric or decoration that does not reveal the skin or create a similar effect
3. Fabric for the bodice must lay no more than 3 inches below the crease of the armpit
4. Open backs must taper "inward" at a minimum from a point no lower than the back of the armpit crease to no lower than three inches above the waistline

Skirts

1. No shorter than mid-thigh
2. No transparent fabric above mid-thigh for the Latin and Rhythm styles 3. May be broken or slitted from the trunk line down but must cover the legs when not in motion.
3. Fringe must lay no higher than mid-thigh in the front, back, and sides of the skirt when standing still.

Trunks/Legs

1. Regular cut dance trunks (no flesh tone fabric)

MEN

Shirts

1. Front of shirts must be of a non-transparent fabric.
2. The front of the shirt must also come to a closed point.