

SECTION 4 - ENTRIES/ENTRY FORMS

4.1 Entries must be made on the form supplied by the Association and are not considered accepted until the total payment of entry fees is received.

4.2 Entry forms show:

- i) The section names and the age limits for the sections.
- ii) The names, addresses and club affiliations of all competitors.
- iii) Every competitor's date of birth.

Any competitor whose age may be questioned shall produce a birth certificate if required at the time of entry or subsequently. Any forms must be typed or printed for clarity and must be signed by all competitors or guardians to verify correctness.

Novelty entry forms will state the requirements that the act be of a standard suitable for family viewing but do not have to be signed by the competitors.

Note: entry forms will be required for the Best Dressed Female, Best Dressed Female 5 - 12 years, Best Dressed Male and Best Dressed Male 5 - 12 years competitions.

4.3 The age of an entrant is taken to be:

For both Junior and Senior Championships, their age as at the Monday immediately following the competition.

Refer to Rule 1.8 (c.) for exceptions.

4.4 The closing date for all entries (including Novelty) is:

60 days prior to the first day of the Championship to which the entries relate with the exception of Best Dressed Male, Best Dressed Female, Best Dressed Male 5-12 and Best Dressed Female 5-12 which is 7 days prior to the first day of the Championship.

4.5 Entries received will be receipted and acknowledged by the Association Secretary within one calendar month of closing date.

4.6 Any entries sent after closing date without prior arrangement with the Association Secretary shall be null and void.

4.7 By applying to the Association to compete in the National Championship, the entrant thereby accepts the rules and instructions laid down by the Association for the championship.

4.8 The receiving of any entry in good faith by the Association does not imply acceptance by the Association for regulatory or compliance with the conditions relative to such entry, which is at the risk of the entrant.

4.9 In general, the Executive Committee shall decide on any questions of eligibility or otherwise arising out of the conditions and may in any case accept or decline any entry.

4.10 Minimum number of competitors.

Should the criteria governing the minimum numbers required for sanctioning a competition in any section not be met, then the Executive Committee may continue to run the competition, postpone or cancel the competition in the section concerned.

If the number of accepted entries falls below the minimum stated, the competition may be postponed or cancelled. However, in the interest of protecting the 'Mana' of the National Championship as a whole, the Executive Committee may reopen entries to all clubs in that section.

The criteria (per section) are:

- (i) Acceptance of entries from affiliated clubs.
- (ii) The following minimum number of dancers as listed in the following tables, or at the Executive discretion. Refer to 4.10.

Senior Championship

1	Open	3 couples
2	Platinum	3 couples
3	Golden	3 couples
4	Masters	3 couples
5	Top Club	3 teams
6	Novelty	3 entries
7	Open Triples	3 teams
8	Senior Triples	3 teams
9	-----	
10	Open Restricted	3 couples
11	Senior Restricted	3 couples
12	Diamond	3 couples
13	Open Same Sex	3 couples
14	Novice	3 couples
15	Senior Teams	3 teams
16	Senior Same Sex	3 couples
17	Diamond Restricted	3 couples
18	Diamond Triples	3 teams

Junior Championship

1	Junior	3 couples
2	Intermediate	3 couples
3	Senior	3 couples
4	-----	
5	Top Club	3 teams
6	Novelty	3 entries
7	Junior Triples	3 teams
8	Intermediate Triples	3 teams
9	Cheerleaders	3 teams
10	Junior Restricted	3 couples
11	Restricted	3 couples
12	-----	
13	Same Sex	3 couples
14	Novice	3 couples
16	Junior Same Sex	3 couples

4.11 The maximum number of entries for each club in Section 5 (Top Club) is 2 teams; 6 (Novelty) is 1 entry; 9 (Cheerleaders) is 1 team; 15 (Senior Team) is 2 teams.

4.12 (a) A couple can only enter one section of Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 & 12 in the National Championships.

- (b) A Same Sex couple can only dance in one of sections 13 or 16 in the National Championships.
- (c) An entrant or competitor can only dance in one of sections 7, 8 or 18 in the National Championships.
- (d) A couple or Same Sex couple can only dance in one of sections 10, 11, 17 in the national Championships.
- (e) A Novice couple in Section 14 (Novice) cannot compete in any other section except 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, 15, 16 & 18 in the Nationals Championships.
- (f) A Couple or Same Sex couple who competes in one of Sections 10, 11, 17 cannot also compete in one of Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 12, 13 & 16 in the National Championships.
- (g) A Same Sex couple who competes in Section 14 cannot also compete in Sections 13 & 16 in the National Championships.