

## **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 are not required for the Best Dressed competitions.

**4.3** The age of an entrant is taken to be:

for Junior Championships, their age as at Good Friday of the year of the competition.

for Senior Championships their age as at 31<sup>st</sup> October of the year of the competition.

Refer to Rule 1.8 (c.) for exceptions.

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

Junior Championship 6<sup>th</sup> February

Senior Championship 31<sup>st</sup> August

**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 regularity 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

(a) There are two criteria governing the minimum numbers required for sanctioning a competition in any section. If both of these criteria are not met, then the Executive Committee may 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 three (3) or more clubs.

(ii) The following minimum number of dancers as listed in the following tables:

(b) Minimum number of club entries to hold a competition.

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

### 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: 1 team	6 (Novelty) is: 1 entry
9 (Cheerleaders) is: 1 team	15 (Senior Team) is: 1 team

#### **4.12**

- (a) An entrant or competitor can only enter one section of Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 & 12 in the National Championships.
- (b) An entrant or competitor 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 or 8 in the National Championships
- (d) An entrant or competitor can only dance in one of sections 10 or 11 in the national Championships.
- (e) An entrant or competitor in Section 14 (Novice) cannot compete in any other section except 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, 15 or 16 (Top Club, Novelty, Triples, Same Sex sections, Cheerleaders & Senior Team).
- (f) A Couple who competes in one of Sections 10 or 11 can not also compete in one of Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 & 12 in the National Championships.