



FIESTA FEIS 2023

Hosted by Drake Mexico

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Invited Adjudicators:

Christina Ryan-Kilcoyne, ADCRG, Pennsylvania, USA

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IDTANA Syllabus approval Southern Region Representative Areleen Ni Bhaoill , *approved September 2, 2023*



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Entry Fees payable in USD via Visa or direct deposit:

- Solo competitions **\$12.00 USD**, specials **\$13.00 USD** per dance
- Figures **\$8.00 USD** per competitor per dance, Paid by Team Captain only
- Preliminary & 2nd Chance Prelim **\$40.00 USD** & Open Champions **\$50.00 USD** pd
- Grades Pre Oireachtas 2 Round Competition **\$40.00 USD**

Family Fee **\$30.00 USD** includes admission for 3 people including the dancer, access to the live stage schedule and complete results for each family with a personal ifeis.net account. It is recommended that each family create an iFeis account.

Spectator admission above 3 per family is **\$10.00 USD pre-purchased**, it is recommended not more than 4 spectators per family as viewing space is limited

Registration without a late fee before October 9, 2023. Late fee of \$25.00 USD applies per family to new registrations made between October 9th and October 16th. No fee for changes made before October 16th.

Changes after October 16th with the permission of Registrar, Tricia White. No Refunds. Competitions will be combined where necessary to ensure at least 5 competitors in as many competitions as possible.

FIRST FEIS

The First Feis level has been established for dancers who are competing in their very first Feis. Once a dancer competes in the First Feis category, the dancer must move into Beginner 1 or Beginner 2. AT THIS LEVEL, DANCERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO COMPETE IN SOLO COSTUMES (only school costumes are allowed)

Dancers competing in the First Feis category are limited to participating in only the First Feis Category at Fiesta Feis.

	FIRST FEIS							
	<u>U5</u>	<u>U6</u>	<u>U7</u>	<u>U8</u>	<u>U9</u>	<u>U10</u>	<u>U11</u>	<u>O11</u>
REEL	105R	106R	107R	108R	109R	110R	111R	112R
LIGHT JIG	105L	106L	107L	108L	109L	110L	111L	112L
SINGLE JIG	105N	106N	107N	108N	109N	110N	111N	112N
SLIP JIG	105S	106S	107S	108S	109S	110S	111S	112S

BEGINNER (BEGINNER 1)

A dancer who has been dancing for less than one year. A Beginner 1 must move to Beginner 2 no later than January 1st of the dancer's second year of instruction, or may move to Beginner 2 earlier with teacher's permission and provided that the Feis has not closed to changes. Note: a Beginner 1 dancer who starts in September, may continue as a Beginner 1 until December of the following year (16 months) before moving into Beginner 2.

AT THIS LEVEL, DANCERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO COMPETE IN SOLO COSTUMES (only school costumes are allowed)

	BEGINNER (BEGINNER 1)								
	U5	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	O12
REEL	205R	206R	207R	208R	209R	210R	211R	212R	213R
LIGHT JIG	205L	206L	207L	208L	209L	210L	211L	212L	213L
SINGLE JIG	205N	206N	207N	208N	209N	210N	211N	212N	213N
SLIP JIG	205S	206S	207S	208S	209S	210S	211S	212S	213S

ADVANCED BEGINNER (BEGINNER 2)

A dancer who has been dancing for more than one year and who has not won a 1st, 2nd or 3rd place as Beginner 2 dancer. A dancer who has won a 1st, 2nd or 3rd place in a Beginner 2 dance must move into Novice in that dance no later than January 1st of the next calendar year or with teacher's permission as soon as the next Feis (if said Feis has not closed to changes).

AT THIS LEVEL, DANCERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO COMPETE IN SOLO COSTUMES (only school costumes are allowed). ALL HARD SHOE DANCES AT TRADITIONAL SPEEDS. TRADITIONAL SET WILL BE DIVIDED BASED ON REGISTRATIONS

	ADVANCED BEGINNER (BEGINNER 2)								
	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	O13
REEL	306R	307R	308R	309R	310R	311R	312R	313R	314R
LIGHT JIG	306L	307L	308L	309L	310L	311L	312L	313L	314L
SLIP JIG	306S	307S	308S	309S	310S	311S	312S	313S	314S
SINGLE JIG	306N	307N	308N	309N	310N	311N	312N	313N	314N
TREBLE JIG	306T	307T	308T	309T	310T	311T	312T	313T	314T
HORNPIPE	306H	307H	308H	309H	310H	311H	312H	313H	314H

Competitions may be divided	Beginner & Advanced Beginner
TRADITIONAL SET	306TS
REEL SPECIAL	306RS
LIGHT JIG SPECIAL - slow	306JS

Reel & Slow speed Light jig special is danced 1 step down the line

FREESTYLE COMPETITION. F1

Beginner through prizewinner dancers only

Create a routine to 48 bars of Irish themed music of your choice. Hardshoe, softshoe, or a mix is accepted. Any number of participants per group. Creativity encouraged! Costumes of your choice or dancing costumes can be worn. Routines can be comedic, dramatic, or whatever your style may be. Bring your ipod or phone with your music fully prepared. Let's have some fun with this own invention Fiesta Feis Competition."

NOVICE

A dancer moves into Novice as a result of placing 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in that dance as indicated in Beginner 2. A dancer who wins 1st in a Novice dance must move into Prizewinner level in that dance no later than January 1st of the next calendar year or with teacher's permission as soon as the next feis (if said feis has not closed to changes). Single year age groups may be divided based on registrations.

*ALL HARD SHOES DANCES MAY BE DONE AT EITHER TRADITIONAL SPEED OR SLOW SPEED

	NOVICE									
	<u>U7</u>	<u>U8</u>	<u>U9</u>	<u>U10</u>	<u>U11</u>	<u>U12</u>	<u>U13</u>	<u>U14</u>	<u>U15</u>	<u>O15</u>
REEL	407R	408R	409R	410R	411R	412R	413R	414R	415R	416R
LIGHT JIG	407L	408L	409L	410L	411L	412L	413L	414L	415L	416L
SINGLE JIG	407N	408N	409N	410N	411N	412N	413N	414N	415N	416N
SLIP JIG	407S	408S	409S	410S	411S	412S	413S	414S	415S	416S
*TREBLE JIG	407T	408T	409T	410T	411T	412T	413T	414T	415T	416T
*HORNSPIPE	407H	408H	409H	410H	411H	412H	413H	414H	415H	416H

Competitions will be divided as registrations	NOVICE & PRIZEWINNER SPECIALS			
	4&O		4&O	
TREBLE REEL	504TR		PRE-O SPECIAL **	
SLOW TREBLE JIG (Novice)	504STJ		SLIP JIG SPECIAL	
FAST TREBLE JIG	504FTJ		TRADITIONAL SET	
			504TS	

Treble Reel, Slow light jig, Fast Light Jig and Slip Jig special will be danced one step down the line, may be divided based on entries.

****SPECIAL PRE OIREACHTAS 2 ROUND COMPETITON – NOT OPEN TO DANCERS WHO ARE CURRENTLY COMPETING IN PRELIMINARY OR OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP** Reel (3 Steps/48 bars) or Slip Jig (2 ½ steps/40 bars) and Treble Jig (3 steps/48 bars) or Hornpipe (2 ½ steps/40 bars) Note: This competition is offered as a practice opportunity only. Awards and placements will be given; however, the results will not count for a level change.

PRIZEWINNER (OPEN)

A dancer moves into Prizewinner as a result of placing 1st place as indicated in Novice.

*ALL HARD SHOES DANCES CAN BE DONE AT EITHER TRADITIONAL SPEED OR SLOW SPEED

	PRIZEWINNER									
	<u>U7</u>	<u>U8</u>	<u>U9</u>	<u>U10</u>	<u>U11</u>	<u>U12</u>	<u>U13</u>	<u>U14</u>	<u>U15</u>	<u>O15</u>
REEL	507R	508R	509R	510R	511R	512R	513R	514R	515R	516R
SLIP JIG	507S	508S	509S	510S	511S	512S	513S	514S	515S	516S
*TREBLE JIG	507T	508T	509T	510T	511T	512T	513T	514T	515T	516T
*HORNSPIPE	507H	508H	509H	510H	511H	512H	513H	514H	515H	516H

PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIP

Preliminary Championships are open to those who, at any recognized Feis:

a) Have won 1st place in both an open/prizewinner light and heavy shoe competition, and

b) Have never won 1st, 2nd or 3rd in Open Championship. A dancer who wins two first place awards will move on to Open Championship at the next Feis they enter, or as soon as the second win is achieved, in any age category, in the following years. Only in the case of back-to-back Feiseanna (successive days), in which case the first win in the first Feis will not change the dancer's status for the second Feis. A dancer is required to perform a light shoe dance (reel or slip jig for ladies and reel only for men), and a hard shoe dance. A Feis can opt to offer either a) a set dance or b) a jig/hornpipe. Gents will be pulled out if there are 5 Gents registered in any 2 consecutive age groups. **Non Traditional set dance will be divided based on entries.**

	<u>U9</u>	<u>U10</u>	<u>U11</u>	<u>U12</u>	<u>U13</u>	<u>U14</u>	<u>U15</u>	<u>U16</u>	<u>U17</u>	<u>O17</u>
PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIP	609P	610P	611P	612P	613P	614P	615P	616P	617P	618P
2 nd CHANCE PRELIMINARY	S609P	S610P	S611P	S612P	S613P	S614P	S615P	S615P	S617P	S618P
NON TRAD SET DANCE	604NT									

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

A dancer who wins two 1st Place awards in one calendar year will move on to Open Championship the following year, or as soon as the second win is achieved, in any age category, in the following years. Only in the case of back-to-back Feiseanna (successive days), in which case the first win in the first Feis will not change the dancer's status for the second Feis. Placing in a Regional or National Oireachtas does not change the status of a competitor.

Dancers will perform: 48 bars of reel or 40 bars of slip-jig, 40 bars of the hornpipe or 48 bars of the treble jig, and a Set Dance.

Competitions will be combined in groups of 5 when possible. BOYS will be split if there are 3 or more gentlemen in 2 consecutive age groups.

OPEN CHAMPIONS	<u>U9</u>	<u>U10</u>	<u>U11</u>	<u>U12</u>	<u>U13</u>	<u>U14</u>	<u>U15</u>	<u>U16</u>	<u>U17</u>	<u>U18</u>	<u>U19</u>	<u>O19</u>
	709C	710C	711C	712C	713C	714C	715C	716C	717C	718C	719C	720C

PRELIMINARY & OPEN CHAMPION SPECIALS	
Competitions will be divide based on entries, one step down the line	
SOFT SHOE SPECIAL	704SS
HARD SHOE SPECIAL	704HS
TREBLE REEL SPECIAL	704TR

FSC CHAMPION FREE STYLE COMPETITON

Create a routine to 48 bars of irish themed music of your choice. Hardshoe, softshoe, or a mix is accepted. Any number of participants per group. Creativity encouraged! Costumes of your choice or dancing costumes can be worn. Routines can be comedic, dramatic, or whatever your style may be. Bring your ipod or phone with your music fully prepared. Let's have some fun with this own invention Fiesta Feis Competition."

DANCER OF THE DAY COMPETITION:
first place winner in Prelim and Open champ competitions participate

ADULT COMPETITIONS

An Adult dancer is defined as any dancer who started Irish dancing at the age of 18 or older OR any dancer 18 or older who has not competed in at least five years in a youth competition AND has never placed in the top three in a youth Preliminary championship competition of more than five competitors. Dancers who are in the Adult categories cannot enter any competition other than Adult specified competitions. A dancer who wishes to return to any category other than Adult must remain out of Adult competitions until they retire from dancing for five consecutive years.

A Masters Preliminary dancer is defined as any dancer over the age of 25 who has previously placed in the top three of a youth Preliminary competition of five or more competitors. A Masters Open level dancer is defined as any dancer over the age of 25 who has ever competed in a youth Open Championship competition or placed first in a Masters Preliminary competition. Dancers over the age of 25 currently competing in either youth championship level may move at any time into the corresponding Masters level, but will then no longer be eligible to compete in a youth solo championship. ADULT DANCERS ARE ALLOWED TO DANCE TRADITIONAL OR OIREACHTAS SPEED DANCES IN THE NOVICE AND PRIZEWINNER GRADE LEVELS

	ADULT					
	<u>Beginner 1</u>	<u>Beginner 2</u>	<u>Novice</u>	<u>Prizewinner</u>	<u>Champions</u>	<u>Masters</u>
REEL	299R	399R	499R	599R		
LIGHT JIG	299L	399L	499L	599L		
SINGLE JIG	299N	399N	499N	599N		
SLIP JIG	299S	399S	499S	599S		
TREBLE JIG	299T	399T	499T	599T		
HORNSPIPE	299H	399H	499H	599H		
ADULT CHAMPIONSHIP – 3 Rounds					699AC	
MASTERS PRELIM						799MP
MASTERS OPEN						799MO
SOFT SHOE SPECIAL – All Adult levels	99SS					
HARD SHOE SPECIAL -All Adults Levels	99HS					

Dancers competing at the Adult Championship level may move to the Masters Prelim level per teacher's discretion. All Southern Region feiseanna may combine the Masters levels into one competition in the event that fewer than five Masters Preliminary level dancers are entered. For Masters level dancers to progress from Prelim to Open, youth competition rules apply. A win in any combined Masters competition of five or more competitors would count towards that progression.

All Masters levels consist of one light round (reel or slip jig) and one heavy round (treble jig or hornpipe) to facilitate the possibility of merging at Southern Region feiseanna. Feiseanna may offer additional Masters level competitions including traditional set, non-traditional set etc.

FIGURES AND CEILI

Ceili Dances	<u>2 HAND Reel</u>	<u>3 HAND Reel</u>	<u>4 HAND Reel & Jig</u>	<u>8 Hand Ceili Reel & Jig</u>	
Under 7	9207	9307	9407		
Under 9	9209	9309	9409	Under 9	9809
Under 11	9211	9311	9411	Under 11	9811
Under 13	9213	9313	9413	Under 13	9813
Under 15	9215	9315	9415	Under 16	9816
Over 15	9216	9316	9416	Over 16	9817
ADULT	9299	9399	9499	Adult	9899



SOUTHERN REGIONAL DANCING COMPETITION RULES

1. Competitions are open to all but those holding a TMRF, TCRG, or ADCRG designation. A feis can only accept entries from pupils of teachers registered with An Coimisiun and registered with both the IDTANA and the North American region in which they reside.
2. A competitor may be disqualified for any of the following reasons:
 - a. Conduct unbecoming a lady or gentleman.
 - b. Failure to report on time to compete. (Penalty: disqualification from said event)
 - c. Falsification of age or other important facts – i.e., teaching, award winning, competing under another competitor’s name or number, etc.

Penalty for (a) or (c): Competitor will be disqualified from the Feis at which the occurrence happened and from all registered Feiseanna for a period of one year beginning at the date of the occurrence.
3. Competitions may be closed if there are no competitors at the assigned stage ready to compete when the competition is scheduled or announced. This does not pertain to a situation where competitors are involved in stage conflicts, and such conflicts will be handled by the stage monitor.
4. Steel taps or “bubble” heels on dancing shoes and any display of awards is prohibited. Authentic Gaelic dress is desired.
5. First Feis (if offered), Beginner and Advanced Beginner, aka Beginner I and II, must wear a class costume, or a skirt/pants and top. All other categories are excluded from this rule. Modest attire is encouraged when a competitor is not dancing.
6. Competitor’s number must be worn and visible to adjudicators when performing in all competitions. Use of reflective plastic number covers is discouraged.
7. The number of awards given is determined by the Feis Committee and is based on the scores and ranks given by the adjudicator(s).
8. Complaints must be in writing stating names and other factual information and signed by the complainant. A \$50.00 fee must be enclosed and presented to the Feis Chairman within one hour of the occurrence. The fee will be returned if the complaint is upheld.
9. The Feis Committee and any organization affiliated with same, will not be held responsible for personal injury, property loss or damage. Destruction of Feis property and/or rental property will be punishable by law.
10. The Feis reserves the right to reject any entry for cause, to cancel all or part of the Feis and to limit competitor’s performing time. The decision of the Feis Committee is final in all matters connected with the Feis.

11. All Feiseanna must have a process to allow parents to request that their child or children's name(s) not be listed on the posted competitor list prior to the day of the Feis.
12. Competitors must answer all questions as required by the Feis Entry committee, including teacher's name, and include the entry fee for entry to be accepted. Failure to do so will result in a rejected entry. Entries must be received on or before the closing date or they will be subject to a late fee of \$25.00/\$35.00.
13. With the exception of First Feis and Beginner 1 the status of the dancer does not change unless there are five or more dancers in the competition.
14. Photography
 - a. With the exception of First Feis, Beginner 1 and Beginner 2 (or their equivalent), photography of any kind which has the capability of capturing a dancer's image while in motion is strictly forbidden.
 - b. A Feis may elect to allow in motion photography for publicity purposes, but the pictures are considered the sole property of the Feis and solely for Feis use only; these are not to be used for personal gain through commercial use or sale, and under no circumstances can they be published on any website or other areas, without the express written permission of the persons involved.
 - c. Additionally, a professional photographer may be formally contracted by a Feis to capture non-motion photographs, such as portrait photography, awards ceremonies, etc. and/or in motion photography provided it is taken at a vendor station or suitable location:
 - i. away from the dancing stages and,
 - ii. requested by a consenting parent, guardian, or dancer (over the age of 18).
15. No block, en Pointe, toe walking movements, stationary or moving is allowed to be performed for all ages up to and including the under 12 age group. However, after September 1 of each year an exception is made for those dancers who are 11 dancing in the under 12 age group.
16. No substance that can become airborne should be used on any dance floor in an attempt to improve traction.

GRADE LEVEL RULES

1. Solo competitors in First Feis (if offered), Beginner, Advanced Beginner, Novice or Open (Prizewinner), Adult and Master competitions:
 - a. Must compete in their own age group.
 - b. Must be prepared to perform two steps in each event.
2. With the exception of First Feis and Beginner 1, a dancer's level is determined in each dance (Reel, Light Jig, Single Jig, Slip-Jig, Hornpipe, Treble Jig, and Traditional Set). Traditional Set Dances are limited to those dances determined by An Coimisiun Le Rince Gaelacha as traditional set dances.
3. A Feis Committee may combine competitions if there are less than 5 competitors entered as follows:
 1. Two consecutive age groups, combined into the higher of the two groups, within that grade.
 2. Three consecutive age groups, combined into the highest age group, within that grade.
 3. All Boys' grades competitions shall be initially entered in single year age groups within that grade.
 4. If there are less than 5 Boys entered in any one age group within that grade, competitions may be combined in the following order:
 - a. Double, All Boys, age group into the higher of the two groups within that grade
 - b. If a double, All Boys age group does not create 5 or more entries, the Boys shall be combined into the corresponding single year Girls' age group.
 - c. If the combined Boys and Girls age group still does not create 5 or more entries, that competition may be combined as stated in rule #2 above.
 5. 100 and 200 level competitions may be combined as follows:
 - a. Ages under 8 and below, CANNOT be combined with other age groups within that grade, but Boys and Girls may be combined in the corresponding single year Girls' age group within that grade.
 - b. Ages under 9 and above may first be combined into 2 consecutive age groups within that grade. If the combined competition still does not create 5 or more entries, that competition may be combined using rules 2, 3 and 4 above.
4. Each region may determine the system for moving dancers from one grade to another, as they see appropriate for their region.
5. The syllabus is to contain all grade categories.

6. Competitors have the option to remain in the same category for the remainder of the Feis year.
7. A dancer, at the discretion of the teacher, may move into the next Grade (not Open Championships) without satisfying the requirements. However, once a dancer competes in the higher level, they can never move back to a lower category, (except as outlined in Rule 1, above).
8. Grade Levels
- First Feis:** A dancer who has never competed in a Feis. A dancer can only be in this category for a single day and cannot compete at any other level in the Feis. Dancers must compete with Basic Steps that coincide with the Grade Exam Syllabus.
 - Beginner 1 (Beginner) Grade:** A beginner is a competitor who has not yet taken a full year of Irish Dance lessons, thereby giving beginners a full year with such status. A Beginner must move into the Beginner 2/Advanced Beginner category the next year. Dancers must compete with Basic Steps that coincide with the Grade Exam Syllabus.
 - Beginner 2 (Advanced Beginner) Grade:** An advanced beginner who wins 1st, 2nd or 3rd place will advance to the Novice category in that particular dance. Competition dances are reel, light jig, slip jig, traditional treble jig and traditional hornpipe, as a minimum requirement. Dancers must compete with Basic Steps that coincide with the Grade Exam Syllabus.
 - Novice Grade:** A novice who wins a 1st place will advance to the Open (Prizewinner) category in that particular dance. In Novice competitions with 20 or more dancers, a dancer who wins 1st or 2nd place in a dance will advance to the Open/PW category in that particular dance (Dec 2012)
 - Open Prizewinner Grade:** A competitor who does not qualify as a beginner, advanced beginner or as a novice.
 - Adult:** An Adult dancer is defined as any dancer who started Irish dancing at the age of 18 or older OR any dancer 18 or older who has not competed in at least five years in a youth competition AND has never placed in the top three in a youth Preliminary championship competition of more than five competitors.
9. First Feis (if offered), Beginner 1, and Beginner 2 are required to dance at traditional speeds. Novice and Open/Prizewinner dancers may choose between traditional and Oireachtas speeds.
10. The following dance speeds must be adhered to;

	First Feis	Beg 1	Beg 2	Novice	Prizewinner
Reel	122	122	122	113	113
Light Jig	115	115	115	115	115
Slip Jig	122	122	122	113	113
Single Jig	124	124	124	124	124
Treble Jig			92	73/92	73/92
Hornpipe			138	113/138	113/138

Traditional Sets	Traditional Speed
St. Patrick's Day	94
Blackbird	144
Job of the Journeywork	138
Three Sea Captains	96
Garden of Daisies	138
Jockey to the Fair	90
King of the Fairies	130

11. First Feis, Beginner 1 and Beginner 2 perform only basic steps to coincide with the Grade Exam Syllabus.
12. Dancers competing in the First Feis category are limited to participating in the First Feis Category only.

CHAMPIONSHIP LEVEL RULES

1. First place winners in the Open Championship category cannot return to a Preliminary or Open (Prizewinner) competition. Placing in a Regional or National Oireachtas does not change the status of a competitor. A dancer who moves into Open Championship must stay a minimum of 2 years. If after 2 years they have not placed they are allowed to return to Preliminary. An Open Championship dancer who places is not allowed to return to Preliminary until 2 years after their last placement. The regional syllabus where the Feis is being held may have different qualifications for entry.
2. Entrants in any Championship event may not enter in any other (Grade) events, but may enter in Figure Dances and Specials, ie Treble Reel Competition, etc.
 - a. Dancers must qualify for Open Championship via the method now in place for Preliminary Championship, i.e. two 1st place wins.
 - b. Dancers must compete in the Preliminary Championship competition in order to qualify for Open Championship
3. Preliminary Championships
 - a. Are open to those who at any CLRG-registered Feis:
 - (1) Have placed 1st in both an Open (Prizewinner) light and heavy shoe competitions and
 - (2) Have never won 1st, 2nd or 3rd in an Open Championship.
 - b. A dancer who lives in the Southern Region and who wins 1st place in a second Preliminary Championship Competition in any Region MAY move up to Open Championship Competitions immediately, at the discretion of their dancing teacher.
 - c. A dancer who lives in the Southern Region when they win 1st place in a second Preliminary Championship competition MUST move up to Open Championship Competitions no later than the one calendar year anniversary of the second Preliminary Championship win.
 - d. Preliminary Championship competitions with 26 or more competitors may be split in half according to age. * In Preliminary Championships-Separate boys into a separate competition if there are five (5) or more boys entered in a specific competition within a single age a group.

A Southern region feis may choose to combine boys and girls in Open Championship competitions when there are less than 5 dancers registered in a particular age category. However, if three (3) or more boys are entered in a specific age group in a combined Open Championship competition, the boys and girls MUST be split into separate competitions. If separate Boys and Girls competitions in Open Championships are offered in the syllabus, they may NOT be combined under ANY circumstances on the day of the Feis
4. One of the following statements MUST be in the feis syllabus:
 - a. When there are less than five dancers registered in a particular Open Championship age category, the boys and girls will NOT be combined.

OR

 - b. When there are less than five dancers registered in a particular Open Championship age category, the boys and girls WILL be combined.
5. The boys' open championship age categories will match the girls' open championship age categories.
6. Every competitor in Preliminary or Open Championship must have a minimum of 8 rotations or 10 minutes between each of their rounds.

FIGURE/CEILI TEAM RULES

1. Teachers or team captains are responsible that their teams are complete and in position when the competition is announced.
 - a. There are no restrictions on figure age groups
 - b. Figure age groups will be determined by the oldest dancer.
 - c. 8 hand teams are allowed to repeat dancers at all Southern Region feiseanna in accordance with the World and Regional Oireachtas rules.
2. The length of 2 hand and 3 hand dances in competition are to be 48 bars of music plus an 8 bar introduction.
3. Only dancers who meet the definition of "Adult dancer" may compete in Adult Ceili competitions. Masters level solo dancers competing in a Ceili must compete in the Youth Ceili categories.

4. In the event that the same organization is running 2 feiseanna in one weekend, the following may occur:

Figure and Ceili competitions may be offered at only one of the feis' on that weekend.

ADJUDICATORS & MUSICIANS

1. Musicians and adjudicators cannot be approached during a competition by anyone except the Feis Committee. No one can approach them while a competitor is performing.
2. Musicians employed by the Feis Committee will be solely under the direction and management of the Feis Committee on Feis day.
3. In matters pertaining to adjudication, the decision of the adjudicators is final.
4. Adjudicators are to monitor the quality of music at the stage(s) to which they are assigned.
5. Championships and Preliminary Championships require at least three adjudicators.
6. Each Feis is required to list their adjudicators on their syllabus and/or website at least three weeks before the close of entries, one-third of which are to be from outside the region where the Feis is being held.

COSTUME RULES

1. Make up is prohibited on a dancer in the first three grades (First Feis (if offered), Beginner I and Beginner 2 or their equivalent) up to and including the under 12 age group. Make-up (including false eyelashes and tanner on the face) is not permitted for dancers, in either solo or team competitions, up to and including the Under 10 age group.

Clarification: Both make up rules refer to the age group of the competition, not the actual age of the dancer. For example, 9 year old dancers, competing in a team that is entered Under 12, may wear make-up or at a feis where the youngest Open Championship age group is Under11, then all dancers in that competition may wear make-up. These rules must also be announced from side stage at the event. Participants should be reminded that should they be in breach of these rules and be required to remove their make-up, that they risk missing their rotation in the competition.

2. Any competitor found to be using artificial carriage aids and subsequently refuses to remove same, will be subject to disqualification from that particular competition. Medically prescribed aids (proof of which may be required) will be exempt from this rule.
3. Competitors in competitions at the First Feis (if offered), Beginner I and Beginner 2 Grade will wear only the competitor's dancing school costume or a skirt/pants and top.
4. Costume Length: Length of costumes must adhere to principles of modesty and enable dancers to safely execute their movements and steps. Adjudicators who determine a costume to be too short or to lack modesty may ask a competitor to change into black tights (of a denier not less than 70 per cent) in order for the dancer to continue in the competition.
5. When wearing body suits with skirts (commonly known as black-out attire) black tights (of a denier less than 70) must be worn from the age of 14 and above. Effective date: 1st February, 2020

MODESTY RULES

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Changing costumes, dressing and undressing of dancers will not be acceptable in the halls or public areas. For the sake of modesty and in the interests of safety of young people, dancers will not be permitted to walk around the feis scantily dressed.

Respect for fellow competitors on stage is a requirement at all times.

Lack of respect or courtesy for fellow competitors by aggressive dancing on stage will be subject to penalty at the discretion of each individual adjudicator.

Length of costume must adhere to principles of modesty and enable dancers to safely execute their movements and steps. Adjudicators who determine a costume to be too short or to lack modesty may ask a competitor to wear black tights (of a denier not less than 70 percent) in order to continue in the competition. For competitions adjudicated by a panel of more than one adjudicator, all adjudicators on the panel must agree to asking the dancer to wear tights. Effective March 1, 2022.

Appropriate undergarments covering the midriff must be worn. Undergarments must provide full coverage. Dancers wearing undergarments that do not cover the areas of the body as in the illustrated example will be asked to put on black tights of a denier of not less than 70%. This is monitored by the adjudicator. For competitions adjudicated by a panel of more than one adjudicator all adjudicators on the panel must agree to ask the dancer to put on tights. Effective March 1, 2022

The Feis WILL NOT give any refunds for any reason including consequences for violations of these rules.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY

Adult competitors and parents of children competitors are entirely responsible for their own safety. Neither the Peach State Feis, Peach State Feis, Inc., or the venue will be liable for any injury that occurs at this event. By entering this feis you are agreeing to these terms and waive any right to bring legal claim for personal injury.