

The Irish Dance Academy Championships 2023



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Dear Teachers and Parents,

On behalf of the Irish Dance Academy we are very excited to welcome you to "The Irish Dance Academy Championships 2023"

We are delighted to have acquired the excellent facilities of the Highcrest Academy. It is situated within easy reach of the M40 as well as being accessible by road with parking on site.

We are very excited to announce our esteemed panel of adjudicators and three musicians. We will be running our Tiny Tots competition this year to support the younger children (16 Bars Reel) U6 & U7 Championship will be judged by three adjudicators. All Open Championships from U8 & Preliminary Championships from U10 upwards will be judged by a panel of six adjudicators (three for the first two rounds and three for the Set Dance) The top five will receive trophies & sashes. All Grade competitions will have trophies from 1st to 3rd. PLEASE NOTE U16 & U17 Mixed Championships will start with Set Dance first.

A catering service will be available throughout the day.

Vendors at the Feis will be: Melaine Murphy and Feiswear.

Sean Hennigan will be providing a full championship results service with results available to purchase at our entry desk once the awards are completed.

Please note the closing date for entries is Tuesday 5th September 2023 and payment must be made via our secure entry system using credit/debit card only at the time of entry. £1 processing fee will be added to all transactions - Please book via the following link <https://www.feisbookings.com/idafeis2023>

Our Facebook page (The Irish Dance Academy Championships) will be updated throughout the event to include presentation photos and results and we look forward to welcoming you on the day. We would like to thank you all in advance for your support.

The Irish Dance Academy Team

Base Hotel: Premier Inn High Wycombe - Arch Way HP13 5HL

Facebook: The Irish Dance Academy Championships (Feis Updates)

Irish Dance Academy Championships 2023

Mixed Open Championships - 3 Adjudicators

5 & Under 6	Reel (32)	Single Jig (32)	Light/Heavy Jig (32)
6 & Under 7	Reel (32)	Single Jig (32)	Light/Heavy Jig (32)

Mixed Open Championships - 6 Adjudicators

7 & Under 8	Heavy Jig (32)	Reel (40)	Trad Set
8 & Under 9	Heavy Jig (32)	Reel (40)	Trad Set
9 & Under 10	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance
10 & Under 11	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance
11 & Under 12	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance
12 & Under 13	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance
13 & Under 14	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance
14 & Under 15	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance
15 & Under 16	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance
16 & Under 17	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance
17 & Under 18	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance
18 & Under 19	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance
Senior Over 19	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance

100% Recall in all Championships & Prelims

Mixed Preliminary Championships

9 & Under 10	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance
10 & Under 11	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance
11 & Under 12	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance
12 & Under 13	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance
13 & Under 14	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance
14 & Under 15	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance
15 & Under 16	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance
Over 16	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance

Open & Preliminary Championships include two solo results

Entry Fees

GRADE COMPETITIONS & CEILI CHAMPIONSHIPS (per dancer)	£5.00
DOOR ENTRY PER PERSON (PREPAID)	£5.00
Tiny Tots	£10.00
Under 6 & U7 Championship (3 Adjudicator)	£35.00
Preliminary U10 up & Open Championships Under 8 up (6 Adjudicators)	£40.00
Maximum for one child	£55.00
Family Fee Maximum	£90.00

Payment must be made via our secure entry system using credit/debit card only at the time of entry

Closing date for entries: Tuesday 5th September 2023

Please click on the link below to go to the entry system

<https://www.feisbookings.com/idafeis2023>

Irish Dance Academy Championships 2023- Grades

TROPHIES 1st TO 3rd FOR ALL GRADE COMPETITIONS

NOVICE (Bún Grád)							
	COR 32 Bars	PORT EADROM 32 Bars	PORT SINGIL 32 Bars	PORT LUASCA 32 Bars	PORT TROM 32 Bars	CORNPHIOPA 32 Bars	
	REEL	LIGHT JIG	SINGLE JIG	SLIP JIG	HEAVY JIG	HORNGPIPE	
Tint Tots	16 bars of the Reel for any dancer not ready for grades This competition will not be adjudicated						
5 & Under 6	✓	✓	✓	✓			
6 & Under 7	✓	✓	✓	✓			
7 & Under 8	✓	✓	✓	✓			
8 & Under 9	✓	✓	✓	✓			
9 & Under 10	✓	✓	✓	✓			
10 & Under 11	✓	✓	✓	✓			
11 & Under 12	✓	✓	✓	✓			
PRIMARY (Tús Grád)							
	COR 32 Bars	PORT EADROM 32 Bars	PORT SINGIL 32 Bars	PORT LUASCA 32 Bars	PORT TROM 32 Bars	CORNPHIOPA 32 Bars	
	REEL	LIGHT JIG	SINGLE JIG	SLIP JIG	HEAVY JIG	HORNGPIPE	
Under 6	✓	✓	✓	✓			
6 & Under 7	✓	✓	✓	✓			
7 & Under 8	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
8 & Under 9	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
9 & Under 10	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
10 & Under 11	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
11 & Under 12	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
12 & Under 14	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
OVER 14	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
INTERMEDIATE (Mean Grád)							
	COR 32 Bars	PORT EADROM 32 Bars	PORT SINGIL 32 Bars	PORT LUASCA 32 Bars	PORT TROM 32 Bars	CORNPHIOPA 32 Bars	
	REEL	LIGHT JIG	SINGLE JIG	SLIP JIG	HEAVY JIG	HORNGPIPE	
Under 6	✓	✓	✓	✓			
6 & Under 7	✓	✓	✓	✓			
7 & Under 8	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
8 & Under 9	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
9 & Under 10	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
10 & Under 11	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
11 & Under 12	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
12 & Under 14	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
OVER 14	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
OPEN (Ard Grád)							
	COR 32 Bars	PORT EADROM 32 Bars	PORT SINGIL 32 Bars	PORT LUASCA 32 Bars	PORT TROM 32 Bars	CORNPHIOPA 32 Bars	
	REEL	LIGHT JIG	SINGLE JIG	SLIP JIG	HEAVY JIG	HORNGPIPE	SET DANCE
UNDER 9							OPEN SET
Under 10		Under 12		Under 15		Over 15	
4 Hand Reel		4 Hand Reel		4 Hand Reel		4 Hand Reel	
Humours of Bandon		Humours of Bandon		Humours of Bandon		Humours of Bandon	
Fairy Reel		Fairy Reel		Fairy Reel		Fairy Reel	
Progressive Dance		Progressive Dance		Progressive Dance		Progressive Dance	
Ceili Championship		Ceili Championship		Ceili Championship		Ceili Championship	

Preliminary Championships in England, Scotland and Wales

Effective 1st January 2021

- A minimum number of three Adjudicators must officiate.
- The first age group for a Preliminary Championship is Under 10.
- Where a Preliminary Championship is held separate from an Open Championship, three rounds should be offered, namely; Reel or Slip Jig, Heavy Jig or Hornpipe and any Set Dance.
- Where a Preliminary Championship is combined with an Open Championship, then the result should be taken from eligible dancers' ranking after the first two rounds.
- Where there are separate Preliminary and Open Championships, dancers can compete in both at the discretion of the Feis organiser.
- Where a competitor wins two Preliminary Championships they must dance in Open Championship for a period of 12 months thereafter.
- For grading purposes, two wins will be taken as being in any two year rolling period. Where a dancer does not win a second Preliminary within two years of winning their first Preliminary Championship, then the first win will be deemed as having expired and the dancer starts afresh.
- Where there are less than 6 in a Preliminary Championship that win will not normally be considered for grading purposes. However, where a dancer wins three Preliminary Championships regardless of the number of competitors in each competition, that dancer must dance in Open Championship for a period of 12 months thereafter.
- Dances performed in a Preliminary Championships do not count for grading in solo competitions.
- Competitors that qualify for and compete in Oireachtas Rince na Cruinne in the previous 12 months cannot compete in a Preliminary Championship *except where the dancer auto qualified at their Regional or National Oireachtas due to lack of numbers*.
- Dancers placing 1st-3rd in an Open Championship with up to 20 competitors or 1st-5th in an Open Championship with more than 20 Competitors cannot compete in a Preliminary Championship for a period of 12 months.

PLEASE NOTE THE ABOVE RULES ARE NOT RETROSPECTIVE

Awards

2 medals/trophies = 5 or less - 4 medals = 6 to 10 competitors
7 medals = 11 to 20 competitors - 10 medals = 21 to 30 competitors
14 medals = 31 to 40 competitors - 1 medal for each additional 5 or part of 5 competitors

General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)

The Committee and teachers of The Irish Dance Academy will protect all user's information in accordance with the EU General Data Protection Regulation 2018.

The Teachers of The Irish Dance Academy are fully paid up members of CLRG and comply with all CLRG GDPR Regulations currently in place as regards to running Feiseanna.

As a Feis organiser, personal data must be shared to gain information about who is participating in the competition. This information will be given to the feis organiser by registered Teachers. The personal that will be obtained is as follows: Competitor's Full name, Competitor's Date OF Birth, and Dance School. The information may be shared with the following third parties: SERC, CLRG & Tabulation Team. If you have any concerns with the way your data is being collected, stored, or used please contact the Feis Organiser. Sean Hennigan will support with tabulation on the day.

Standard Rules for SER Feiseanna – 2023

- 1 Lodgement of entries implies that you acknowledge and accept all of the Rules of An Coimisiun Le Rinci Gaelacha and the Southern England Regional Council plus the additional rules listed below, relating to the Feis.
- 2 Entries will only be accepted from Schools registered with An Coimisiun Le Rinci Gaelacha and entry forms must be signed by the registered teacher. Entries with no fee will not be processed or acknowledged.
- 3 New entries may be taken on the day of the Feis in line with SERC late entry rule.
- 4 Ages to be taken from 1st January 2023.
- 5 All competitors may be required to produce their birth certificate / passport as proof of age.
- 6 Competitors must dance in their own age group for solo competitions except where there is no competition in their age group for that particular dance. Dancers cannot compete in a younger age group.
- 7 All decisions of the Adjudicators are FINAL.
- 8 Only the committee members may approach the Adjudicators during competitions.
- 9 ALL Grade Competitions are OPEN to all Regions.
- 10 Competitors may only dance each dance in one grade.
- 11 Where there are five or less competitors in a competition, results will not affect their grading.
- 12 In all Heavy dances the lead around must be danced on both the right and left foot.
- 13 A Novice is a dancer who has not gained a 1st, 2nd or 3rd place in a Novice Grade competition or any medal in a higher grade for that particular dance.
- 14 The basic step rule will apply to all Novice competitions as per the Southern England Regional Council.
- 15 The Primary Grade is for dancers who have not won a 1st or 2nd place for that particular dance in any Age Group.
- 16 All Novice and Primary dancers may only wear a class costume, simple dancewear or appropriate attire (skirt & top or simple dress for girls and trousers, shorts and t-shirt or shirt for boys) in competitions up to and including the Under 12 Age Group. Make-up will not be permitted for any dancer in the first two grades up to and including the Under 12 age group Worldwide. Failure to comply with this rule may lead to disqualification.
- 17 The Intermediate Grade is for dancers who have not won a 1st place for that particular dance in a particular Age Group, or who has not won a Premier competition, Preliminary Championships or Open Championship.
- 18 Intermediate competitors can dance their grade dances and either the Preliminary or Open Championship.
- 19 The adjudication panel is at the discretion of the Feis organiser.
- 20 An Coimisiun has ruled that from 1st January of each year, that no block, en pointe, stationary or moving be allowed to be performed for all ages up to and including the under 12 age group Worldwide. The Under 12 Age Group will be allowed to Toe Walk from 1st September.
- 21 The Feis Organiser must provide non-slip flooring for every dance surface, however the Feis Organiser cannot accept any liability for injury sustained whilst dancing.
- 22 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 apparatus, proof of which may be required, will be exempt from this ruling.
- 23 In order to comply with the health and safety measures, all dancers lining up side stage prior to any round of a competition will be required to perform the simple exercise of raising arms to shoulder level unhindered. If unable to do this due to costume stitching or any arm attachments by the time of their rotation they will not be permitted to perform.
- 24 Make-up Rule (4.5 in CLRG Rule Book) 4.5.2 Make-up (including false eyelashes) is not permitted for dancers, in either solo or team competitions, up to and including the Under 10 age group (POINT OF CLARIFICATION) For the purpose of this rule the term "Make-up" includes tinted moisturiser and any artificial tanning products. An Coimisiun hopes that teachers and parents will interpret and apply this rule in the spirit in which it is intended.
- 25 Dancers must be properly attired throughout the whole competition and must be in full costume and appropriate footwear when receiving awards. No changing allowed in competition areas.
- 26 Any form of unauthorised photography which has the capability to capture a dancer's image whilst in motion, using electronic or manual means, e.g. mobile phone, standard camera, video camcorder, cine recorder, commercial film, with or without flash enhancement, is expressly forbidden in all competitions.
- 27 Photographs taken at awards ceremonies are permitted, however these must be for your own use and not used for public display purposes, unless permission has been obtained.
- 28 Any competition can be moved to another hall at the discretion of the Feis Secretary.
- 29 All Championship cups are perpetual and recipients will be responsible for any loss or damage and for the safe return in adequate time to be presented to subsequent winners.
- 30 Parents are responsible for the conduct of their children, at all times, whilst attending the Feis.
- 31 The Feis Organiser accepts no responsibility for any loss or damage to personal property.
- 32 No Smoking, eating or drinking in any of the halls, except in designated areas.
- 33 Objections against any breach of the above rules must be made in writing, and signed, to the Feis Secretary and accompanied by a fee of £25.00, which will be refunded if the objection is upheld. If parents have any constructive comments to make about any aspect of Feiseanna, these would be welcomed by the council and should be put in writing. It should be noted that anonymous correspondence cannot be dealt with.
- 34 Competitors in Bun Grad & Tus Grad, up to and including the Under 12 age group, may only wear traditional class costumes or long/short-sleeved blouses/shirts & skirts/trousers, polo tops & skirts/ trousers, body suits & skirts or tunics that conform to the regular costume length rule. Low-cut tops and short tight skirts are not permitted.
- 35 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. For competitions adjudicated by a panel of more than one adjudicator, all adjudicators on the panel must agree to ask the dancer to wear tights.
- 36 Appropriate undergarments covering the midriff must be worn. Undergarments must provide full coverage as per the illustration attached. (See Addendum A). 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 adjudicator on the panel must agree to ask the dancer to put on tights

The Irish Dance Academy Championship Winners 2022

Mixed	U5	EMMA ROSE BROWN	SYLVAN KELLY
Mixed	U6	MADDIE BUGLER	McCARRON DANCE
Mixed	U7	SARAH GARVEY	CALLANAN MACLOONE OMEARA
Mixed	U8	ELLIE-MAI HEADD McDERMOTT	HEADD McDERMOTT ACADEMY
Mixed	U9	AVA LIVINGSTONE	GLENDARRAGH ACADEMY
Boys	U9	LEO COATES	MARIE CONNELL SCHOOL
Girls	U10	EVA JANE MOSS	BROOKS ACADEMY
Girls	U11	ELLEN LEAVENS	MCGAHAN LEES ACADEMY
Boys	U11	SEAMUS DALY	MCGAHAN LEES ACADEMY
Girls	U12	DOIREANN MODDATT	SYLVAN KELLY
Girls	U13	ANNA BORISENKO	CEIM OIR
Girls	U13	AVA FORLAN	MCGAHAN LEES ACADEMY
Boys	U13	FELIX ANDEL	CUNNINGHAM ACADEMY
Girls	U14	CIARRA McCARTHY	MCGAHAN LEES ACADEMY
Girls	U15	NIAMH GLYNN	LINDA MARTYN SCHOOL
Boys	U15	CALLUM SCHROEYERS	MCGAHAN LEES ACADEMY
Girls	U16	ELLIE-KATE McCARTHY	MCGAHAN LEES ACADEMY
Girls	U17	SHAUNA MEEHAN	THE IRISH DANCE ACADEMY
Boys	U17	SE O'TOOLE	BROOKS ACADEMY
Girls	U18	BRIDGET MORAN	THE IRISH DANCE ACADEMY
Girls	U19	MOLLY MURPHY	HOPKINS McSLOY ACADEMY
Girls	O19	ERIN-GRACE COOKE	HENNIGAN IRISH DANCE
Men	O17		
Prelim	10	AVA KELLY	THE IRISH DANCE ACADEMY
Prelim	11	KAILLANI LOUGHRAN	HENNIGAN IRISH DANCE
Prelim	12	SILVANNA BOYLE	CEIM OIR
Prelim	13	POPPY HUGHES	MCGAHAN LEES ACADEMY
Prelim	14	AOIFE ROPER	HOPKINS McSLOY ACADEMY
Prelim	15	SOPHIA GERAGHTY	MAGUIRE-OSHEA
Prelim	16	MOLLY CALLANDER	RACHEL DOWNEY SCHOOL
Prelim	O16	GEORGIA FERRARA	CEIM OIR

Please ensure that your cup is returned on time or contact Sean McNicholas on 07855 35185 if you want to return by post.

Irish Dance Academy Championships 2023 - Championships Timetable

Time	Hall A	Time	Hall B
8:30 AM	U8 Mixed Champs & U9 Mixed Champs R1 & R2	8:30 AM	U16 Mixed Champ & U17 Mixed Champ Set Dance
9:30 AM	U16 Mixed Champ & U17 Mixed Champ R1 & R2	9:15 AM	U8 Mixed & U9 Mixed Champs Traditional set Dance
10:30 AM	U18 Mixed Champ, U19 Mixed Champ & O19 Mixed Champ R1 & R2		
11:15 AM	U10 Mixed & U11 Mixed Champs R1 & R2	11:15 AM	U18 Mixed Champ, U19 Mixed Champ & O19 Mixed Champ Set Dance
12:15:pm	U10 Prelim & U11 Prelim & U14 Prelim R1 & R2	12:30 PM	U10 Mixed Champs & U11 Mixed Champs Set Dance
1:30 PM	Tiny Tots		LUNCH
2:00 PM	U12 Prelim & U16 Prelim & O16 Prelim R1 & R2	2:45 PM	U12 Prelim & U16 Prelim Champs Set Dances
3:15 PM	U13 Prelim, U12 & U13 Mixed Champs R1 & R2	4:15 PM	U12 Mixed Champ & U13 Mixed Champ Set Dances
4:45 PM	U15 Prelim, U14 & U15 Mixed Champ R1 & R2		HALL CLOSED
6:00 PM	U15 Mixed & U14 Mixed Champs Set Dances		
	HALL CLOSED		

Please be ready to dance 30 minutes before your scheduled start time.

Irish Dance Academy Championships 2023- Grade Hall Timetable

Time	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4
8:00 AM		U6 Novice / Primary / Intermediate	U7 Novice / Primary / Intermediate	
		U6 Championship (3 Adj)	U7 Championship (3 Adj)	
9:45 AM	Under 14 Primary / Intermediate	U11 Novice / Primary / Intermediate	U10 Novice / Primary / Intermediate	
11:00 AM	Under 8 Novice / Primary / Intermediate	O14 Primary & Intermediate	U12 Novice / Primary / Intermediate	U9 Novice / Primary / Intermediate & Open Set Dance
	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
2:00 PM	U10 PRELIM SET DANCES			
2:30 PM	U11 PRELIM SET DANCES			
3:00 PM	U14 PRELIM SET DANCES			
3:45 PM	O16 PRELIM SET DANCES			
4:30 PM	U13 PRELIM SET DANCES			
5:15 PM	U15 PRELIM SET DANCES			
	HALL CLOSED			

Please be ready to dance 30 minutes before your scheduled start time.