#### **Swing Dance Mania Competition Rules and Regulations**

WSDC Contests	JnJ (Points)	Strictly	Pro-Am
Newcomer	Χ	Χ	
Novice	X	Χ	X
Intermediate	Χ	Χ	X
Advanced	Χ	Χ	
All-Star	X	Χ	
Sophisticated	X	Χ	
Masters	X	X	

#### 1. Required to enter competitions:

- A) Weekend Pass
- B) Read, agree and sign:
  - 1. Waiver form.
  - 2. Competition Rules and Regulations.
  - 3. Code of Conduct.
  - 4. Swing Content Guidelines.
  - 5. Parental consent form for minors.

## 2. Age Requirements (Lead & Follow):

A) Jack and Jill: 18+ B) Strictly Swing: 10+

C) Pro-Am: 10+
D) Juniors 10 - 17
E) Sophisticated: 35+

F) Masters: 50+

# 3. Division and Role Requirements:

- A) Competitors may enter all contests that match their lead and/or follow WSDC Registry achievement level and for which they meet age requirements.
- B) Competitors may not switch roles or Strictly partners once entered.
- C) When competing as secondary role, the WSDC recommends competitors compete either one or two levels down from their primary role, depending on skill level.
- D) Novice competitors may compete in Newcomer using their secondary role if they have zero points in that role.
- E) Competitors are not permitted to compete in both roles in the same division.

# 4. Competition Entry Deadlines:

- A) Friday August 22, 4:00 PM.
- B) Saturday August 23, 11:00 PM
- C) All-Star August 23, 8:00 PM
- D) All entries are final, no changes no exceptions, no refunds.

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#### 5. Competition attire:

- A) Clean and neat.
- B) Costumes:
  - 1. Required for Routine divisions.
  - 2. Not allowed in any other divisions.
- C) No loose strings, belts, jewelry, hats, jackets or other garments/accessories.
- D) Dance shoes:
  - 1. No bare feet
  - 2. No bare socks/stockings.

## 6. SDM Reserves the right to modify contest execution as follows:

- A) Cancel divisions
- B) Combine divisions
- C) Run contests as
  - 1. Preliminary
  - 2. Semi-finals
  - 3. Straight to finals
  - 4. Heats
  - 5. Spotlight

## 7. Pre-Comp Check In:

- A) The Contest Coordinator is in charge.
  - 1. Listen carefully and follow their instructions!
  - 2. If there is an issue of concern, bring it to their attention.
- B) Arrive at the designated check in area 15 minutes prior to the scheduled competition start time.
- C) Arrive with the assigned BIB number fastened on the back not more than 30 inches below the shoulders.
- D) Failure to follow any of the rules may result in disqualification. No refunds.

# 8. The Competition:

- A) The floor manager is in charge.
  - 1. Listen carefully and follow their instructions!
  - 2. If there is an issue of concern, bring it to their attention.
- B) Do not engage judges in any way, at any time during the competition schedule.
- C) Stay in your lane! Maintain adequate distance from other competitors.
- D) Maintain physical contact with the floor at all times (at least one shoe on the floor).
- E) Props of any kind are not allowed.
- F) When the competition has completed, exit the floor immediately.
- G) Results-
  - 1. Semi-finalists will be called back as soon as scores are tabulated.
  - It is your responsibility to be in the ballroom when call-backs are announced.
  - 3. Finals will be posted online (on SDM) after the award ceremony.