



Slovak DanceSport Federation

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SLOVAK DANCESPORT FEDERATION COMPETITION RULES

Abstrakt:

Ranking Competitions:

- Ranking competitions will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the SDSF.
- Ranking competitions must be organised as open competitions for all members of SDSF and IDSF at a given age category and performance class. The organiser must (according to the rules) publish the competition in the Competition calendar in advance. The organiser is entitled to determine the deadline for the submission of the entry form for the competition. If the organiser receives an entry form after the designated deadline, he is obliged to allow the couple to take part in the competition but according to the Financial rule the couple must pay 100% higher fee than it is stated in the proposition for the competition. The relevant date of the entry form is the post stamp date, fax date or email message date. If the registration date is not specified in the proposition, the organiser is obligated to allow all couples to start in the competition with the standard fee.
- Open competitions are competitions that are organized for particular competitive class. At these competitions there are no restricted figures. Such competitions are not ranking competitions and the couples do not get points for the placement.
- According to the agreement with other IDSF member federations the organiser is authorized to open the competition for the couples of particular age category and performance class from those federations. All foreign couples have to respect the rules of Slovak DanceSport Federation.
- The competition must be conducted in accordance with the SDSF rules.

Competition information, applying for the competition:

Competition information

- In a letter of competition information there must be all significant items of information. The presentation of couples for a competition should start not sooner than 2 hours before the competition.

Applying for a competition

1. An application form should be submitted by post as a registered letter, by fax or by

email to the address of the organiser that is stated in the letter of competition information.

2. An application form should contain the following information:

- Name and surname
- Dance club membership
- Category, class and group of dances in which the couple will start
- Other information defined by letter of competition information or claimed from organiser

Taking part in a competition:

The couple that will in a competition according to the SDSF rules has to fulfil all conditions for the performance class, age category and additional SDSF regulation.

Participation in a competition is allowed only for:

- Couples that can present:
 - a valid competition passport with a photo (both dancers in a couple)
 - valid licence stamp, valid registration in the performance class,
 - dance club membership certification
- Couples from other ISDF member federations should present a valid competition passport from their federation. The licence must clearly show the age category and performance class of the couple.

Couples are not allowed to ask the chairman to fill any results in the competition passport before the end of the competition.

The chairman must give the competition passport back to couples not later than 30 minutes after the end of the competition.

Age categories:

Category Juvenile 1: neither of the dancers in a couple reaches 10th birthday in the calendar year.

Category Juvenile 2: neither of the dancers in a couple reaches 12th birthday in the calendar year and at the same time the older dancer must reach at least 10th birthday.

Category Junior 1: neither of the dancers in a couple reaches 14th birthday in the calendar year and at the same time the older dancer must reach at least 12th birthday.

Category Junior 2: neither of the dancers in a couple reaches 16th birthday in the calendar year and at the same time the older dancer must reach at least 14th birthday.

Category Youth: neither from the in a couple reaches 19th birthday in the calendar year and at the same time the older dancer must reach at least 16th birthday.

A youth ranking competition could be joined to an Adult competition.

Youth couples are allowed to participate in adult competitions.

Category Adult: couples where the oldest partner reaches 19th birthday or more in the

calendar year.

Senior couples are allowed to participate in adult competitions.

Category Senior I: couples where both dancers reach at least 35th birthdays in the calendar year.

Couples Senior II are allowed to participate in Senior I competitions.

Category Senior II: couples where both dancers reach at least 45th birthday in the calendar year.

Category Senior III: a couple in which the man reaches at least 55 birthday and the lady reaches at least 45th birthday in the calendar year.

Juvenile1, Juvenile2, Junior I, Junior II, Youth couples are allowed to start in one level higher competitions. /For instance: D class Junior I couple may start in Junior I C class competition/.

Junior II couples are allowed to start on the ranking adult competitions.

Performance classes:

Couples are assigned a performance class in each category (standard, latin-american) separately.

In each age category the following performance classes are acknowledged:

Juvenile 1	Class Z,D
Juvenile 2	Class Z, D
Junior I	Class Z, D, C, B
Junior II	Class Z, D, C, B, A
Youth	Class Z, D, C, B, A, S
Adult	Class Z, D, C, B, A, S
Senior I	Class Z, D, C, B, A, S
Senior II	Class Z, D, C, B, A, S

Notice: "Z" means beginners or not registered couples

- A couple is registered in a performance class according to a male registration that was achieved in ranking competitions and is confirmed in his competition passport.
- There are defined competition dances for each performance class and each age category. "Z" category couples may dance only the basic figures. D and C couples in all age categories may dance only restricted figures from the syllabus of restricted figures.

Competition dances:

	Class	Group	Dance	Allowed fig.
Beginners	Z	ST + LA	Any of W, VW, Q, Sa, Cha, Jive	Basic Appendix 1
Juvenile I	D	ST + LA	W, Q, Cha, Ji	Restricted
Juvenile II	D	ST	W, VW, Q	Restricted
Juvenile II	D	LA	Cha, Ru, Ji	Restricted
Junior I, Junior II	D	ST	W, T, VW, Q	Restricted
Junior I, Junior II	D	LA	Sa, Cha, Ru, Ji	Restricted

Junior I, Junior II	C	ST	W, T, VW, Sf, Q	Restricted
Junior I, Junior II	C	LA	Sa, Cha, Ru, Pd, Ji	Restricted
Junior II	B	ST	W, T, VW, Sf, Q	Not restricted
Junior II	B	LA	Sa, Cha, Ru, Pd, Ji	Not restricted
Youth, Adult, Senior I, II, III	D	ST	W, T, VW, Q	Restricted
Youth, Adult, Senior I, II, III	D	LA	Sa, Cha, Ru, Ji	Restricted
Youth, Adult, Senior I, II, III	C	ST	W, T, VW, Sf, Q	Restricted
Youth, Adult, Senior I, II, III	C	LA	Sa, Cha, Ru, Pd, Ji	Restricted
All age categories	B, A, S	ST	W, T, VW, Sf, Q	Not restricted
All age categories	B, A, S	LA	Sa, Cha, Ru, Pd, Ji	Not restricted

Appendix 2: Restricted syllabus - Standard Dances

Appendix 3: Restricted syllabus - Latin American Dances

From January 1, 2009 the following tempi are allowed:

Waltz	28 – 30 bars / min.
Tango	31 – 33 bars / min.
Viennese Waltz	58 – 60 bars / min.
Slowfox	28 – 30 bars / min.
Quickstep	50 – 52 bars / min.
Samba	50 – 52 bars / min.
Cha cha	30 – 32 bars / min.
Rumba	25 – 27 bars / min.
Paso Doble	60 – 62 bars / min.
Jive	42 – 44 bars / min.

- The basic rule for the timing claims that the duration of the music played must be not less than 1, 5 minutes and not more than 2 minutes for the Waltz, Tango, Slow Foxtrot, Quickstep, Samba, Cha-Cha-Cha and Rumba and Jive. For the Viennese Waltz it must be not less than 1 minute and not more than 1,5 minutes and for the Paso Doble not less than up to the second high light or to the end (3rd high light)

The classification of the performance and classifying system:

- If a couple drops out of the competition or is excluded from the competition by the chairman or the inspector of the competition, the couple is assigned the last placement in this competition without any points. Other couples get points as if they outperformed the couple. The situation must be described in the protocol from the competition.
- The chairman of the ranking competition accepts and enlists the ranking points from a ranking competition only in case the competition was authorized as a ranking competition and was organized in accordance with all valid rules and regulations of Slovak DanceSport Federation.
- If couples from other IDSF member federation took part in an open ranking competition in Slovakia, the chairman must enlist the ranking place and give or later send these couples a copy of the official protocol from the competition.

Conduct of competition:

Rules for all types of competitions

- All competitors must be ready to dance in groups according to the schedule. If a couple miss their group, the chairman is entitled to decide if they can join another heat. This exception may be made only once in the competition for a given couple. The second failure is classified as disqualification from the competition.
- If a couple announce a minor problem with the dress or small injury etc. before the start of their heat, the chairman may change the starting heat for such couple. If it is impossible, the chairman may interrupt the competition for not more than 3 minutes so that the couple can solve the problem. If the couple cannot do it, they will not compete and be judged in a given dance. If the problem cannot be solved for a longer time the chairman must disqualify the couple.
- It is not allowed to change the partner during the whole competition.
- The couples must respect the restricted figures from the syllabus of restricted figures. At ranking competitions two qualified inspectors may be assigned the task of observing the restricted syllabus (figures). In case of not respecting the restrictions, the couple will be warned by the chairman not to dance figures that are not allowed. If they keep not respecting the rule, they will be disqualified by the chairman.

Dress regulations:

Slovak DanceSport dress regulations are in accordance with the IDSF Dress Regulations for all age classes and categories.

The Chairman is entitled to disqualify couples who do not respect the rules.

Claims and protest:

- During or after the competition couples may claim or make a protest if they find out that some regulations were broken.
- Any claim must be made within 60 minutes after the competition and in written form submitted to the chairman. The claimant must deposit 16,6 Euro to make the claim valid. The money will be returned if the claim was legitimate, otherwise it will not be returned. The chairman must issue a written receipt.
- If the claim was rejected, the claimant can send a new claim to DIROK commission or KRK commission.
- Any claim or protest must be stated in a protocol from the competition.

Slovak Cup:

Slovak Cup is a series of 7 competitions in Slovakia for adult couples in A and S category in standard and latin-american dances. Slovak Cup for junior couples is a series of 7 competitions in Slovakia Junior I couples classes D and C and Junior II couples classes D, C and B separately in ST and LA.

Slovak Cup is not a ranking competition.