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Communications – Please contact your dance teacher for clarification and information about

dance registration. Please do not contact the SDBC Dance Registrars directly.

SDBC Registrar's Tidbits – Lower Vancouver Island

- -Will accept and return registrations via mail
- -Will accept drop off of registrations at a competition(special circumstances) -Will not accept registration being dropped off or picked up at her home -Will not attend competitions to pick up dance registrations
- -Will not prepare dancer registration cards at a competition

Okanagan

- -Will accept and return registration via mail
- -Will accept registration being dropped off but no pick up at her home
- -Will accept and drop off registrations at a competition (special circumstances) -Will not prepare dancer registration cards at a competition

Remainder of Province of BC

- Will accept and return registration via mail and at competitions
- -Will accept registration being dropped off and picked up at her home
- -Will accept and drop off registrations at a competition (special circumstances) -Will not prepare dancer registration cards at a competition

Dancer Registration Form – Teacher must sign every dancer registration form and record both their Examining Body (i.e., BATD, SDTA or UKA) and number along with their ScotDance Canada membership number. Teachers are to package up annual registrations for their schools in bulk and send as a group not as individual piecemeal.

New Dancers (first time registering in any category) – Must attach a photocopy of a dancer's birth certificate (or other official proof of birthdate document)

Annual Registration Fee – All dancers must register annually to dance. The fee is set annually by Scotdance Canada at the Annual General Meeting.

PayPal – Once the registration form and all additional information/documents have been received, a PayPal invoice will be sent via email from the SDBC Dance Registrar for payment. Your email must be included for invoicing. Please check your junk mail for PayPal email. The Email will be from 'Scottish Cultural Organization for Traditional Dance in British Columbia.' Processing of Cards – Please allow two weeks for processing the application. Only teachers may contact the SDBC Dance Registrar about the status of a dancer's registration application and only after the two-week turnaround.

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Self-Addressed Stamped Envelopes – A self-addressed stamped envelope must be included with your registration form.

Temporary Cards – These are issued by the competition organizers to dancers who successfully complete the requirements to move to a new category and have insufficient time to obtain a new dance card prior to their next competition. Temporary cards are valid for competitions in Canada, USA and Scotland for two weeks from issued date.

CHANGE OF CATEGORY (STATUS) RULES FROM 1ST JANUARY 2016

At the Annual General Meeting of the SOBHD held on Saturday 14th November 2015, the following Rule changes took place: This will affect Beginners, Novice and Intermediate dancers

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2. BEGINNERS:

Rule change affecting Beginner dancers registering from 1st January 2016

This status is held until the competitor either a) gains a first, second or third prize in **SIX** separate Beginner's competitions, or b) until twelve months following the first beginners stamp whichever 'a' or 'b' is the later, after which that competitor is classified as a Novice dancer and is not eligible to enter a Beginner's event.

NOTE: Beginner dancers with **PART** of the **SIX** months remaining, can continue for one year from the date of the first stamp. Beginners stamp for Highland only. Beginner dancers whose **SIX** months have expired but who have less than six stamps as yet, may continue until all Six stamps are achieved.

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3. NOVICE:

Rule change affecting Novice dancers registering from 1st January 2016

This status is held until the competitor either a) gains a first, second or third prize in SIX separate Novice competitions, or b) until twelve months following the first novice stamp whichever 'a' or 'b' is the later, after which that competitor is classified as an Intermediate dancer and is not eligible to enter a Novice event.

NOTE: Novice dancers with **PART** of the **SIX** months remaining, can continue for one year from the date of the first stamp. Novice dancers whose **SIX** months have expired but who have less than six stamps as yet, may continue until all Six stamps are achieved

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4. INTERMEDIATE:

Rule change affecting Intermediate dancers registering from 1st January 2016

This status is held until the competitor either a) gains a first, second or third prize in **SIX** separate Intermediate competitions, or b) until twelve months following the first intermediate stamp which ever 'a' or 'b' is the later, after which that competitor is classified as a Premier dancer and is not eligible to enter an Intermediate event.

NOTE: Intermediate dancers registering between now and 1st January 2016 have their start date marked on the back of the card and the year commences from then. E.g. for start dates 1st December 2015 year starts 1 st December 2015. Whereas if start date is 1st January 2016, they will also have a six stamp section on their card.

FOREIGN DANCERS/TEACHERS AND IMPORTANT DANCER REGISTRATION INFORMATION

IMPORTANT INFORMATION CONCERNING SCOTDANCE CANADA DANCER REGISTRATION

SDC professionals who teach foreign students (students who are either permanent residents of a country outside of Canada or temporarily residing in Canada) may register their students in the country where the dancer resides or register through SDC.

- 1. Dancers should register in the province they reside in. If a dancer has more than one teacher in Canada, it is their choice as to whom they register with. If a dancer takes instruction from a SDC professional living in another province, they may register in the province where they reside or where the teacher resides.
- 2. SDC teachers who jointly teach in the same studio MUST all be members in good standing of SDC (without exception).
- 3. SDC teachers are prohibited from signing dancer registration forms on behalf of a non-SDC member (without exception).
- 4. Foreign dancers living outside of Canada or living temporarily in Canada may register with any of the registration agents of the RSOBHD (which includes SDC), provided their teacher signs the registration form (exception to teacher signing the form would be #6 below).
- 5. Canadian dancers who are 18 years of age and over and also hold a current professional membership with one of the Examining Bodies, may register themselves (i.e. completing the teacher signature area of the form) with SDC. All other Canadian dancers under the age of 18 years should register through SDC (the teacher must complete the teacher signature area of the form). A foreign teacher of a Canadian dancer may complete the teacher signature area of a SDC

dancer registration form. If the dancer is taught by a foreign teacher, they may register with the registration agent in the country where their teacher resides.

- 6. Foreign dancers who are 18 years of age and over who hold a professional membership with one of the Examining Bodies, and are taught by a SDC member, may register themselves in the country of their residence (completing the teacher signature area of the form).
- 7. Foreign dancers who are 18 years of age and over, taught by a SDC teacher, and do NOT hold a professional membership with one of the Examining Bodies may register in their country of residence or through SDC (the teacher must complete the teacher signature area of the form).
- 8. Non-SDC members who assist with teaching from time to time within the studio of a SDC member teacher(s) should complete a police record check and provide proof of same to the SDC teacher(s) within the studio as part of good governance with respect to risk management within the studio.
- 9. A SDC member teacher who has not met the requirements for conditions of membership for SDC will have their membership suspended immediately (without exception), and dancers of that teacher will not be able to register or complete change of category status.
- 10. If a dancer changes teachers during the same calendar year of dancer registration, the dancer is not required to complete a new registration form, i.e. the dancer retains their current card until the next registration year, whereby the new teacher would sign the dancer registration form.
- Note 1: The aforementioned conditions for dancer registration will be strictly adhered to.
- Note 2: Only Canadian dancers, SDC member professionals (teachers/judges), and SDC competition organizers are covered under SDC's General Liability policy. Only Canadian dancers are covered under SDC's Sports Accident policy.
- Note 2: The country where a dancer is registered will not affect their eligibility to compete in provincial/regional qualification events as separate rules set out by the RSOBHD govern where dancers may compete for such events (i.e. birth or residency clauses). Updated November 12, 2022 Version 2.0