

Grade Exams will be held at the Irish Channel Feis
Kingsley House
1600 Constance Street
New Orleans, LA

Saturday, September 16, 2017

Exams will take place from 10:00 AM to Noon

AND 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM

We are offering *Preliminary through Grade 6 Exams

*Preliminary grade is not mandatory.

Cost:

Prelim - \$20

Grades 1 through 3 - \$25 per grade exam

Grades 4 through 6 - \$35 per grade exam

Register at Feisworx: www.feisworx.com

General Information:

Grade examinations are unlike competitions in that each candidate is individually examined and receives a detailed written assessment of their performance and knowledge of the grade being attempted. They are open to both male and female candidates regardless of age and ability. Each grade must be passed and certificate awarded before candidate attempts the next level.

What to Wear:

Competition attire is not necessary or allowed (i.e. wig or solo dress). Please wear a shirt (without any school affiliation) with dark colored bottoms, dark tights or socks.

Grade /Grád	Rincí / Dances	Speed
Prelim	Ríl Éasca nó Port Eadtrom Dúbalta Easy Reel or Light Jig	Easy Reel 122-124 Light Jig 116
1	Bun Ríl agus Bun Port Dúbalta Easy Reel and Light Jig	Easy Reel 122-124 Light Jig 116
2	Bun Port Luascach & Bun Port Singil Easy Slip Jig and Easy Single Jig	Basic Slip Jig 124 Basic Single Jig 124
3	Tús Ríl agus Bun Port Trom Primary Reel and Basic Heavy Jig	Primary Reel 116-118 Basic Heavy Jig 96
4	Tús Port Luascach agus Lá Féile Phádraig Primary Slip Jig and St. Patrick's Day (Traditional)	Primary Slip Jig 120 St Patrick's Day 94
5	Ríl Cruaidh (Méan/ Primary/Ard) Advanced Reel (Intermediate/ Primary/Open) Bun Cornphíopa Basic (Traditional) Hornpipe agus <i>Ballaí Luimní</i> and <i>Walls of Limerick</i>	Advanced Reel (Intermediate/Primary/Open) 113 Basic Hornpipe 144 <i>Walls of Limerick</i>
6	Port Luascach Cruaidh (Méan/ Primary/Ard) Advanced Slip Jig (Intermediate/Primary/Open) An Londubh Blackbird (Traditional) agus <i>lonsaí na hInse</i> and <i>Siege of Ennis</i>	Advanced Slip Jig (Intermediate/ Primary/Open) 113 The Blackbird 144 <i>Siege of Ennis</i>

Rules & Regulations

1. Only Basic Steps may be danced in the Preliminary grade and Grades 1, 2 & 3.
2. The number of bars of music to be danced to for all Reels, Single or Hop Jigs
Light Jigs, Slip Jigs, Heavy Jigs and Hornpipes is 40.
3. St. Patrick's Day, Blackbird, Garden of Daisies, Job of Journeywork, King of the Fairies, Three Sea Captains, and Jockey to the Fair must be performed in a traditional style and manner.
4. The same set dance must not be performed in more than one of the Grades from 9 to 12 inclusive.
5. A dancer must take all grades in order, beginning with Grade 1 - the Preliminary grade is optional. However, a candidate may only attempt a maximum of 3 consecutive Grades at any one sitting.
6. Candidates must be able to adequately demonstrate practical and theoretical knowledge of all ceili dances as per "Ár Rincí Foirne" as specified in the syllabus for Grades 5 -12 inclusive.
7. Dance costumes should not be worn.
8. All candidates must produce previous reports before proceeding to higher grades. Please bring to the exam.